



STEPHEN WHITE

Certificate

No. 14072

The United States of America

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To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas,

Stephen White of Hancock County Indiana

has deposited in the General Land Office of the United States, a certificate of the Professor of the Land Office at Indianapolis whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said Stephen White, according to the provisions of the act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the West half of the South West quarter of section Seven in Township Seventeen North of range Eight East in the District of lands subject to sale at Indianapolis, Indiana, containing Eighty four acres and twenty two hundredths of an acre, according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General, which said tract has been purchased by the said Stephen White.

NOW KNOW YE, That the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, have given and granted, and, by these presents, do give and grant, unto the said Stephen White, and to his heirs, the said tract above described:

To Have and to Hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature thereunto belonging, unto the said Stephen White, and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I, Andrew Jackson

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be herunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the second day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty four and of the Independence of the United States the fifty ninth

Stephen White  
Homestead Certificate No. 14072  
Hancock County, Indiana  
October 2, 1834

By the President.

Andrew Jackson,

By A. A. Donelson

Sec'y

E. G. Hayward

Commissioner of the General Land Office.

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Allen White and Elizabeth Baldwin  
Hancock County Indiana  
Marriage Book 2, page 14

State of Indiana }  
Hancock County } ss. Be it Remembered that on  
the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 1841. A Marriage License  
was granted unto Allen White & Elizabeth  
Baldwin -

State of Indiana }  
Hancock County } I Seth Walker a Justice of the  
peace do hereby certify that Allen  
White and Elizabeth Baldwin of the County and State  
aforesaid were duly joined in marriage by me on the  
5<sup>th</sup> day of May 1841.

Given under my hand and seal this 7<sup>th</sup> day of  
May 1841  
Seth Walker J. D. Fair

Stephen White Probate  
Probate Order Book,  
Dec. 1828-May 1843. page 178

In the matter of the Estate of Stephen White late of  
Hancock County Deceased, Comes now into open Court  
Seth Walker & Allen White and files into open Court their  
Bond according to Law, and letters of Administration  
of the said Estate is granted unto the same Seth  
Walker and Allen White and this cause is continued

Stephen White Probate  
Probate Order Book,  
Dec. 1828-May 1843. page 178

In the matter of the Estate of Stephen White Deceased  
Comes now into open Court Seth Walker and makes  
request to this Court that a guardian be appointed of  
the Persons & Estate - Estate of Amanda White Liza White  
Leander White and Martha Jane White whereupon  
the said Seth Walker was appointed said Guardian  
for the above named Infant heirs

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Marriage Record

Sitha White and Hillah Hayes  
Hancock County, Indiana  
Marriage Record Book 2, page 173

State of Indiana  
Hancock County I do any person empowered by Law to solemnize  
Marriages in Hancock County Greeting  
You are hereby authorized to join together as husband & wife  
Mrs Hillah Hayes and Miss Sitha White according to the Laws of  
the State of Indiana

In testimony whereof I John Hager Clerk of the Circuit  
Court of said County hereunto subscribe my name and  
affix the seal of said Court at Greenfield this 23<sup>rd</sup>  
day of October A.D. 1845  
John Hager Clerk

Sarah White and Elias Fisher  
Hancock County, Indiana  
Marriage Record Book 1, page 83

Now at this time Sept. 8. 1835  
A Marriage License is granted to Elias  
Fisher and Sarah White by consent of  
John Scatter -

Susannah White and William Long  
Hancock County, Indiana  
Marriage Record Book 1, page 145

State of Indiana  
Hancock County I do it remembered that on this  
the 7th day of May A.D. 1838  
a marriage license is granted to William Long  
and Susannah White

State of Indiana  
Hancock County I do certify that William Long  
of Madison County Ia & Susanna White  
of the County of Hancock was lawfully joined in Matrim  
ony by me on the 10th day of May 1838  
Jetho Walker J.P. rec

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**Stephen White** was born on July 27, 1782 in Guilford County, North Carolina. He married Sarah Keziah Conger. Stephen White died between July 9, the day of his last visit to the doctor, and November 1, 1839, the day that the physicians recorded their bill for the Estate of Stephen White with the Justice of the Peace. The White Family Bible reported by Barbara Hook Ward<sup>1</sup> lists the children of Stephen and Sarah Keziah Conger White as:

Allen White,	born September 29, 1814	died September 30, 1814
Sarah White,	born October 1, 1816	died May 18, 1886
Susannah,	born October 24, 1818	
Amanda,	born November 24, 1820	died after 1846 and before 1850
Rhoda,	born February 27, 1823	died July 15, 1828

Other children are now known to be:

Sitha	born August 8, 1827	died January 21, 1900
Elecarry	went West according to Frank Hickenlooper was not heard from again	
Leander	born September 24, 1829	died October 31 1855
Martha Jane	born April 22, 1832	died January 26, 1891

For several years, the White family Bible was in the possession of Elsie White Hook, daughter of Isaac White. Her daughter, Barbara Hook Ward, reported the names and dates of Allen, Sarah, Susannah, Amanda, and Rhoda. After Elsie's death, the Bible was given to the family of Thomas White by Ernest Orval Hook, husband of Elsie White Hook, and it has not been located.<sup>2 3</sup>

Harry Hickenlooper reported that "*Elecarry and a sister (name not known) died when the children were very young.*"<sup>4</sup> The sister must have been Rhoda that reportedly died in 1828 at the age of five. Some family members reported that Elecarry went west for the Gold Rush and never returned. Elecarry was not mentioned in the closure of the Estate of Stephen White in 1846. An E. White, born in North Carolina, is listed on the 1850 Yuba County, California Census as a miner living in Yuba County.<sup>5</sup>

The Conger family<sup>6</sup> is reported to have come from Yarmouth, England and the first recorded immigrant is John (Belconger) Conger, born in 1633. The family also called Koniger<sup>7</sup> was reported to have been French Huguenots that left the Alsace area of France because of religious reasons and went to Holland and on to England. In 1667 John (1674) reportedly arrived on the ship *Elizabeth Anne*, married Mary Kelly and they settled in Newbury, Massachusetts. They then moved to Woodbridge, New Jersey because of difficulty with the Puritans. The family was Presbyterian at Woodbridge. The parents of Sarah Keziah Conger are not known but some of the Congers of New Jersey moved in about 1750 to Rowan County, North Carolina. John and Mary Kelly and his second wife, Sarah Cawood, (Belconger) Conger had several children including:

John and Mary Kelly Conger

Mary	born 1666	born in Newbury, Massachusetts
Enos	born 1667	born in Newbury, Massachusetts
Sarah	born 1668	born in Woodbridge, New Jersey as were the rest
Joannah	born 1670	

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John	born 1674	married Mary Turtle
Elizabeth	born 1678	
Lediah	born 1679	
Jonathan	born 1683	
Gershom	born 1685	

John and Sarah Cawood Conger

Joseph	born 1692	married Mary Marsh
Job	born 1694	married Mary Keziah Thorp
Rachel	born 1696	
Lydia	born 1698	
Benjamin	born 1700	
Gershom	thought to be two Gershon Congers in the John Conger family	

Job (1694) married Mary Keziah Thorp in New Jersey and they had several children. One of their children might be the grandparent of Sarah Keziah Conger but this family reportedly stayed in New Jersey.

John (1674) married Mary Turtle Conger and they were the parents of Jonathan (1710), John (1708), Joanna (1712, and Nathaniel (1714). In 1750 John (1708) reportedly moved to Rowan County now Davidson County, North Carolina. John (1708) and his wife, Zipporah Moores Conger, had two sons, Jonathan (born in 1732 in New Jersey), who married Euphemia Ross, and John (born about 1734 in North Carolina), who married Mary Ross.

Jonathan (1710) and Ann Engard Conger had a grandson, Elias Darby Conger, (1763), who married Mary Goble. Elias and Mary Goble Conger's daughter, Sarah Keziah Conger, was born on September 29, 1784. This Sarah Keziah Conger was reported to have married Martin Boner about 1804. Perhaps Martin Boner died and Sarah moved to North Carolina to live with relatives and later married Stephen White. However, the Elias Conger family reportedly stayed in New Jersey. Ruth Conger, daughter of Elias and Mary Goble Conger, married John Fisher and their son, Elias Fisher, married Sarah White, daughter of Stephen and Sarah Keziah Conger White. Sarah Keziah Conger, daughter of Elias and Mary Goble Conger, is a tempting person for the wife of Stephen White. However, as noted below, a daughter of Jonathan (1753), granddaughter of Jonathan (1732), and great granddaughter of John (1708) may be the proper Sarah Keziah White.

Jonathan (1732) and Euphemia Ross Conger had a son, Jonathan (1753), who was born about in North Carolina. Their other children included Benjamin, Isaac, Jean, Elizabeth, and Phebe (sic). No further information is known about Jonathan (1732) and Euphemia Ross Conger's son, Benjamin (about 1755). Isaac (1759) and Susannah Barrett Conger did not have a child named Sarah Keziah Conger. By 1798, their son, Isaac, had moved to Logan County, Kentucky where he married his wife, Susannah Barrett. In 1829 Isaac and Susannah Barrett Conger moved to McLean County, Illinois. Jonathan (1732) is buried in Logan County, Kentucky.<sup>8</sup>

John (1734) and Mary Ross Conger were the parents of Jonathan, Elizabeth, Joshua, Eli, Jean, Isaac, Josiah, Mary, Hannah, and John B. No Sarah Keziah was reported in this family.

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Elizabeth Conger (about 1728 in New Jersey), sister of Jonathan (1732) and John (1734), married Nicholas Ross. It postulated but not known if Euphemia, Mary and Nicholas Ross are related.

Jonathan (1753), son of Jonathan (1732), grandson of John (1708) does not have a complete history. Jonathan's (1753) children are not known but they included John, Joshua and "unnamed daughters".<sup>9</sup> Jonathan (1753) is a good possibility as the father of Sarah Keziah Conger, wife of Stephen White.

Stephen White and his family were living in Washington County, Virginia during the 1820 Virginia Census. They were reported in the obituary<sup>10</sup> of Allen White to have "*moved to Tennessee in 1822*", after Stephen's father, Isaac White, died in 1819. This would indicate that Stephen was still living in Virginia after Isaac White's death. The distance from Washington County, Virginia to Washington County, Tennessee was not great.

Stephen White is found in the 1820 Virginia Census, Washington County, page 48, sheet 1002-1003 listed as follows:

	Males	Females
Stephen White	10001	2001
Males under 10	1	(Allen)
Males under 16	0	
Males 16-18	0	
Males 16-26	0	
Males 26-45	1	(Stephen White)
Females under 10	2	(Sarah and Susannah)
Females under 16	0	
Females 16-18	0	
Females 26-45	1	(Sarah Keziah Conger White)

Stephen White would be thirty-six or thirty-eight years of age in 1820.

On February 19, 1821 Stephen White received \$81.50 cents from Terry White, executor of the estate of Isaac White then deceased.<sup>11</sup>

The 1830 Tennessee Census, Washington County, page 247, lists the following:

	Males	Females
Stephen White*	1001001	103001
Males under 5	1	(Leander, born September 24, 1829)
Males 5-10	0	
Males 10-15	0	
Males 15-20	1	(Allen, born September 14, 1814)

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Males 20-30	0	
Males 30-40	0	
Males 40-50	1	(Stephen White)
Females under 5	1	(Sitha, born 1827)
Females 5-10	0	
Females 10-15	3	Sarah, born August 31, 1816 Susannah, born October 24, 1818 Amanda, born November 24, 1820
Females 15-20	0	
Females 20-30	0	
Females 30-40	1	(Sarah Keziah Conger White)

\*Rhonda White, daughter of Stephen and Sarah Keziah Conger White, was born on February 27, 1823 and died on July 15, 1828.

Listed adjacent on the Census was David White, a brother. On page 246 of the Census was Thomas and John White, brothers. On page 227 was listed Terry White, Esq., a brother, and a female in the household, age 70-80, who was probably Sarah Conger White. Sarah was the wife of Issac White. Terry White lived in the original Isaac White home with is family and his mother.

Amanda White was born on November 24, 1820 and she died before the 1850 Census. She appears in the 1840 Indiana Census, Hancock County as living the household headed by Allen White. Amanda is listed in the probate of the Stephen White estate for guardianship paid in her behalf and also for money paid to Charles and Amanda Powell. This would indicate that Charles Powell and Amanda White were not married at the beginning of the probate in 1839 but were married by the time the estate was closed in 1846.<sup>12</sup>

Stephen and Sarah Keziah Conger White and family moved to Indiana after the 1830 Washington County, Tennessee Census and before the birth of Martha Jane White in 1832 in Indiana. John White, Stephen White's brother, moved with his family from Tennessee to Indiana about this same time according to Fulkerson.<sup>13</sup> The White family belonged to the Missionary Baptist Church.<sup>14</sup>

The 1850 Indiana Census, Boone County, District # 7, page 310 lists the following.

	Age	Birth Pl.	Occupation	Value Real Est.
Charles E. Powell	34	KY	farmer	700
Sarah Powell	21	IN		
Sarah A. Powell	10	IN		
Eliza J. Powell	8	IN		
Nancy J. Powell	6	IN		
Willis G. Powell	4	IN		
Milton Powell	3	IN		



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The first three children would seem to be from an earlier marriage of Charles Powell as they appear to be too old for his wife, Sarah. The two younger children are a source of speculation but they may be children of Charles E. and Amanda White Powell. This family composition suggests that they were children of Charles and Amanda White Powell as the parents received money from the estate of the Stephen White in 1846 or 1847. The marriage records of Boone County, Indiana list Charles E. Powell and Lydia West marrying on May 17, 1838.<sup>15</sup> The parents of Charles were Isaac and Sarah Powell. Perhaps Charles Powell, that married Lydia West, then married Amanda White, and later Sarah. This would suggest that Amanda White Powell died after 1847 (Birth of Milton--Author) and before the 1850 Census. It is possible that all of the children listed above were from the union of Charles and Amanda White Powell.

Stephen White homesteaded land that was noted on Certificate No.14, 072 on October 2, 1834 in Hancock County, Indiana. This land was recorded as: “ *the West half of the South West quarter of section Seven in township Seventeen North of range Eight East in the District of lands subject to sale at Indianapolis, Indiana, containing Eighty four acres and twenty two hundredths of an acre*”.<sup>16</sup>

On September 14, 1841, Allen White purchased “*the seventh part of the west half of the south west quarter of section seven in township seventeen north of range eight east in the district of lands subject to sale at Indianapolis containing twelve acres, three hundredths more or less*” from “*William and Susannah White Long his wife “of the County of Jasper and state of Illinois*”.<sup>17</sup> This land was one-seventh of the eighty-four and twenty-two hundredths acres of the original Stephen White homestead grant No. 14, 072 and described in exactly the same manner. There were seven known children of Stephen and Sarah Vaughn White at the time of Stephen’s death. These children were Allen, Sarah, Susannah, Amanda, Sitha, Leander, and Martha Jane White.

The Government reduced the price of Indiana land to \$1.25 dollars per acre with a minimum purchase of eighty acres. Cash was required for this type of purchase.

After April 22, 1832, when Martha Jane White was born, Sarah Keziah Conger White died. The 1840 Indiana Census lists a child, age five to nine, living in the household headed by Allen White, who was Martha Jane White. Stephen White died on or before November 7, 1839. This was the day the administrators of the estate began their services. The 1840 Indiana Census lists Allen White as head of the household as he was the oldest sibling on the day the Census was recorded, October 22, 1840. Martha Jane White is listed in the 1850 Iowa Census, Des Moines Township, Jefferson County, age 18, as living with Elias and Sarah White Fisher, her sister. Martha Jane White was born in Indiana which further supports the conclusion that Sarah Keziah Conger White died in Indiana.

Martha Jane White married Simon C. Fry about 1852 in Jefferson County, Iowa. Their children included daughters Samantha, Jane, Louisa, Kate, Minnie and Allie. The author believes that Allie was named for Allen White, the oldest brother of Martha Jane White Fry. Allie Fry married Millard Fillmore Taylor and their children included Russell, Hazel, Florence, and Fern. Russell Taylor married Willa Blanche McClure and they were the parents of James Taylor. Simon C. and Martha Jane White Fry are buried in the Fell Cemetery, near Libertyville, Des Moines Township,

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Jefferson County, Iowa.

Sarah White Fisher was born on October 1, 1816, died on May 18, 1886, and is buried in the Selection Cemetery, Monroe County, Iowa. Her husband, Elias Fisher,<sup>18</sup> was born on December 10, 1812, died on June 3, 1878, and is also buried in the Selection Cemetery, Monroe County, Iowa. Elias Fisher signed a will on June 2, 1878 and William A. Fisher was the executor. The heirs included Sarah, Jessy, William A., and George Fisher. A sale occurred on November 18, 1878 of the chattel property. Those purchasing items included Elcarry White, A. White, Elwood White, George Fisher, and William Fisher. Interest on notes due was ten per cent.<sup>19 20</sup>

The Probate of Stephen White's Estate reports that the White siblings were boarded out.<sup>21</sup> This occurred after October 1840 when the Census was completed as the siblings were in the Allen White household at that time. The White siblings were probably placed in guardianship of Seth Walker after Allen White's marriage in 1841. The probate of the Stephen White estate lists office visits to Dr. Darell and Simon Alten from September 19, 1838 to July 9, 1839 for medicine, visits, cinnamon, bleeding, spirits nitric and pills. The listing of Stephen White's account at the E. Thornburgh & Co. store lists many entries for saltz (sic) and, just before his death, for the purchase of whiskey. This would indicate that he suffered from an abdominal condition or perhaps a malignancy and was treating the associated pain. Sarah Keziah Conger White may have been the victim of an epidemic such as the second cholera pandemic which spread throughout the United States from 1826-1837.

### PROBATE OF STEPHEN WHITE<sup>22</sup>

*Tuesday August 18<sup>th</sup> 1846 Second Day of the Term*

*In the matter of the Estate of*

*Stephen White-deceased—Comes now the Administrators of same Estate  
and file this account current from which is*

*made to appear that said Administrators received assets into their hands to be administered upon to the amount of two hundred and forty six dollars and eight cents and  $\frac{3}{4}$ . Paid said out and expended in the payments outstanding debts against said estate by said administrators the amount of ninety nine dollars and seventy nine cents and  $\frac{3}{4}$  and also paid to the heirs of said estate to wit To Amanda Powell Thirty four dollars six  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents To Sitha Haise Thirty three dollars and sixty eight  $\frac{3}{4}$  cents To Susannah Long Seventeen Dollars and fifty cents To Leander White fourteen dollars seventy nine  $\frac{1}{4}$  cents To Martha J White Thirteen Dollars sixty  $\frac{3}{4}$  cents. Making this total amount paid out by said Administrators of one hundred and six dollars and seven  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents making the total amount paid out by said administrators to creditors and heirs of two hundred and six dollars thirty seven  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents and the said administrators were allowed the sum of forty dollars and seventy five cents for their services in administration upon said estate, which makes the total expended in payments of debts and heirs of two hundred and forty seven dollars and twelve  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents, leaving no assets in the hands of said administrators to be administrated, It also appears that the said administrators recused a note of hand on Mashick Hale Twenty two dollars and fifty cents, which said administrators places on file in this Court said as disperat(sic) for the benefit of said heirs or said estate, which said note is ordered by said Court remain on file until called for by same of said heirs of said estate, now this day to wit.*

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*The 18<sup>th</sup> day of August AD 1846, upon satisfactory proof to said court that publication has been made in the Indiana State Journal a weekly newspaper published at Indianapolis Indiana according to Law of the final settlement and distribution of said estate, and the said heirs being three times called comes not and no course being showed why said estate should not be settled. It is ordered and adjudged(sic) that said administrators be discharged from further administration of said estate.*

*-----account current of final settlement Seth Walker and Allen White administrators of the Estate of Stephen White died said administrators of said estate charges themselves with the sale bill of said estate now on file in said amount of*

*\$246.08 3/4*

*And for which said amount of said sale bill: said also took the said several purchase notes payable in \_\_\_ months from the 7th day of December AD 1837 with approved security which said notes have been since been discharged by them (the purchasees) at the time (the notes) became due.*

*The said Administrators claims credits for the following (to wit)*

<i>1. Paid E. Thornburghs account of</i>	<i>\$11.85</i>
<i>2. Paid David and Simon Alten account of</i>	<i>\$8.87 1/2</i>
<i>3. Paid Cooke Gray account of</i>	<i>\$6.67</i>
<i>4. Paid E. Thornburghs account of</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>
<i>5. Paid Allen White do of</i>	<i>\$3.00</i>
<i>6. Paid Madison G. Walker “ “</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>
<i>7. Paid Choydon Richmond note</i>	<i>\$3.56 1/4</i>
<i>8. Paid Berry Snodgrass note</i>	<i>\$1.61</i>
<i>9. Paid Isaac Hickman acct “</i>	<i>\$3.62 1/2</i>
<i>10. Paid James Blakely acct “</i>	<i>\$16.72</i>
<i>11. Paid Elias Fisher acct “</i>	<i>\$3.56 1/4</i>
<i>12. Paid E. R. Whidlock acct “</i>	<i>\$2.00</i>
<i>13. Paid J. Lacy Tax for the year 1839</i>	<i>\$4.12</i>
<i>14. Paid Sam Blakely acct of</i>	<i>\$.62 1/2</i>
<i>15. Paid Andrew D. Childers acct of</i>	<i>\$.75</i>
<i>16. Paid David Hickman “ “</i>	<i>\$.62 1/2</i>
<i>17. Paid John Hayes ?</i>	<i>\$(page torn)</i>
<i>18. Paid John Hayes Paid for Publication for ?</i>	<i>\$(page torn)</i>
<i>Making the total amount Paid out to Creditors of said Estate of</i>	<i>\$(page torn)</i>

*The said administrators also claim a credit for the following amounts paid to the honor of said died by them:*

<i>19. Paid Charles Powell Amanda Powell</i>	<i>\$22.42</i>
<i>20. Paid Hilla Haise Sitha Haise</i>	<i>\$19.75</i>
<i>21. Paid William Long and Susannah Long</i>	<i>\$7.50</i>
<i>22. Paid the guadianship Amanda White</i>	<i>\$11.64 1/2</i>
<i>Paid the guardianship Sitha White</i>	<i>\$13.23 3/4</i>
<i>Paid the guardianship Leander White</i>	<i>\$7.64 1/2</i>

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<i>Paid the guardianship Martha J. White</i>	<i>\$10.21</i>
<i>23. Paid John Hayes on fees for the .....</i>	<i>\$2.00</i>
<i>24. Paid guardianship of Leander Martha J. White</i>	<i>\$1.37 1/2</i>
<i>25. Paid guardianship of Leander White</i>	<i>\$1.50</i>
<i>26. Paid guardianship of Leander Martha J. White</i>	<i>\$1.42</i>
<i>27. Paid guardianship of Leander White</i>	<i>\$ .25</i>
<i>28. Paid guardianship of Leander Martha J. White</i>	<i>\$3.00</i>
<i>29. Paid guardianship of Leander White</i>	<i>\$1.62 1/2</i>
<i>30. Paid guardianship of Leander Amanda Sitha White</i>	<i>\$1.50</i>
<i>Making the Total amt pd the administrator</i>	<i>\$107.07 3/4</i>

*Now the said administrator claims  
a credit for moneys paid out to creditors  
and heirs the total amount of* *\$206.37 1/4*

*The said administrators prays for your honor  
to make them a reasonable allowance for  
their services from Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 1839 up to the  
present time (to wit)*

*Fourteen days actual services in and  
about said estate as charged per day* *\$14.00*

*said admin charges for time in settling and collecting moneys  
for said estate,* *\$10.00*  
*and also a fee to atty in settling estate* *\$2.00*  
*Making the total amount claimed \_\_\_ for their services* *\$26.00*

*Allen White one of the Admin. claims a credit for services rendered  
by him sixteen days for himself and  
wagon(sic) and team three days* *\$14.75*  
(Administrators total (\$40.75—Author)

*Making the total amount due of* *\$244.12 1/2*

*The said Administrators would further represent that a note of hand came into their hand as  
Admin an Mashick Hale of twenty two dollars and fifty cents, who as they are informed has long  
since taken the benefit of the bankrupt, and is notoriously insolvent the Admin. prays your honor  
be discharged from further administering upon said estate they having fully administered  
reference the same that there was no other or further assets was to come unto them to be  
administered that all debts outstanding against said estate have been liquidated.*

*Signed* *Allen White*  
*Seth Walker*

These records clearly show that Allen, Susannah, Amanda, Sitha, Martha J. and Leander are

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siblings and are the children of Stephan White. The marriages of Amanda to Charles Powell, Susannah to William Long, and Sitha to Hillah Hayes are reported. Martha J. White is the child listed in the 1840 Census in the biography of Allen White as being age five to nine. Mary Hickenlooper wrote that the children were “boarded out to neighbors”.<sup>23</sup>

The author reviewed the records of Hancock County, Indiana of Hays and Harlan (Concord) Baptist cemeteries and no record of Stephen White was not found. The Hays Cemetery was heavily vandalized and many stones were destroyed or severely damaged. Stephen White is probably buried in the Hayes Cemetery. Betty Ruth White Baker and the author found the grave stone of Sarah McQueary Baldwin, mother of Elizabeth Baldwin, at the edge of the Hays Cemetery. In 1831 the McQueary family owned the land that the Hays Cemetery now occupies. Rachel McQueary, who died in October 29, 1834 at the age of 26, was reported to be the earliest identified grave.<sup>24</sup> Rachel was the sister-in-law of Sarah McQueary who was the mother of Elizabeth Baldwin. Elizabeth Baldwin married Allen White, the son of Stephen White. The author believes that Stephen and Sarah White were buried in the Hays cemetery because of this close family relationship. Sarah and Stephen White also lived very close to the cemetery.

### INVENTORY OF STEPHEN WHITE ESTATE

*An inventory of the goods, chattle, and effects of Stephen White late of Hancock County and State of Indiana deceased by Allen White and Seth Walker administrators of the estate of the estate of the said estate of the said deceased with the assistance of Samuel Blakely and David Hickman Appraisers called and duly sworn for that purpose given under our hand and seal.*

<i>Allen White</i>		<i>David Hickman (Seal)</i>
	<i>Adm</i>	<i>Appraisers</i>
<i>Seth Walker</i>		<i>Samuel Blakely (Seal)</i>
<i>One sorrel Mare</i>	<i>50.00</i>	
<i>9 head of sheep</i>	<i>13.50</i>	
<i>8 head of hogs</i>	<i>30.00</i>	
<i>1 crib of corn</i>	<i>50.00</i>	
<i>1 lot of wheat</i>	<i>5.50</i>	
<i>    1 lot of wheat</i>	<i>9.62 1/2</i>	
<i>1 cow</i>	<i>15.00</i>	
<i>1 cow</i>	<i>12.00</i>	
<i>1 year old heifer bell and collar</i>	<i>1.00</i>	
<i>2 calves</i>	<i>4.50</i>	
<i>1 stack of oats</i>	<i>4.00</i>	
<i>1 lot of flax</i>	<i>2.50</i>	
<i>1 hay stack</i>	<i>4.00</i>	
<i>1 tin gal pot</i>	<i>2.00</i>	
<i>13 ducks</i>	<i>1.62 1/2</i>	
<i>1 kittle and bail</i>	<i>3.50</i>	
<i>2 tubs</i>	<i>.56 1/4</i>	
<i>1 pair of geese</i>	<i>5.00</i>	

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<i>1 pair of geese</i>	2.50
<i>2 sickers</i>	.87 1/2
<i>sundry articles</i>	.75
<i>sundry articles</i>	3.00
<i>3 hoes &amp; plows</i>	1.75
<i>1 plow</i>	.50
<i>2 A.....</i>	1.50
<i>1 loom &amp; apparatus</i>	1.00
<i>1 ?</i>	1.00
<i>2 wheat Riddley</i>	.75
<i>2 hackley</i>	1.00
<i>1 6 gal pot</i>	1.25
<i>2 piece of leather</i>	.68 1.4
<i>1 barrel</i>	.15
<i>1 wire sive</i>	.37 1/2
<i>1 tub</i>	.12 1/2
<i>1 side saddle</i>	5.00
<i>1 doz swingled flase</i>	1.12 1/2
<i>2 meal bags</i>	.75
<i>10 lbs of Kocts (?)</i>	5.62 1/2
<i>1 mans saddle</i>	5.00
<i>1 halter chain</i>	.50
<i>1 iron wedge &amp; chisel</i>	1.25
<i>2 little wheals</i>	3.50
<i>1 lot of pot wear</i>	4.50
<i>1 fire shovel &amp; tongs</i>	1.75
<i>1 pot trammel and hand iron</i>	1.25
<i>1 lot of cupboard ware</i>	4.00
<i>1 churn</i>	.50
<i>1 keg &amp; table</i>	.12 1/2
<i>1 smoothing iron</i>	.62 1/2
<i>4 chairs</i>	.50
<i>1 looking glass</i>	.37 1/2
<i>1 chest</i>	.25
<i>3 pair of bedsteads &amp; cords</i>	4.50
<i>1 bed &amp; bedding</i>	6.00
<i>1 bed &amp; bedding</i>	6.50
<i>1 bed &amp; bedding</i>	6.50
<i>1 bed &amp; bedding</i>	2.00
<i>3 table cloths &amp; 3 towels &amp; 1 lot     of vials</i>	1.75
<i>1 doubletree &amp; 1 slate &amp; pocket     book</i>	.75
<i>1 razor shaving box &amp; strap</i>	.62 1/2
<i>1 dozen chickens</i>	.75

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*I note of hand given April 28,  
1839 due November 1st  
1839 Calling for \$22.50  
given by Meshiah Kale 22.50*

*Making in all 333.62 1/2*

*Given under our hand and seal this 20th Day of Nov 1839*

*Allen White*

*Adm*

*Seth Walker*

*David Hickman (Seal)*

*Appraisers*

*Samuel Blakely (Seal)*

*You and each of you do solemnly swear that you have made a just and true valuation on an appraisal of the goods, chattle and effects of Stephen White deceased so far as the same has done To your knowledge so help you God.*

*Given under my hand and seal this 20th day of November 1839. Seth Walker, J.P. (Seal)*

*4 lb iron found since sail .25*

A bill against the estate of Stephen White on November 1, 1839 is as follows:

*The Estate of Stephen White decd.*

*To David and Simon Alten Dr.*

*1838*

*Sept. 19 To visit and medicine \$3.00*

*1839*

*Jan. 8 Medicine .50*

*18 Visit & medicine 4.50*

*" Cinnanom & bleeding .50*

*" Spirits nitric & pills .37 1/2*

*July 9 Box pills .25*

*\$8.87 1/2*

Presented and sworn to by Simon Alten to T. Mathers, J.P. (Seal)

The bill presented to the estate of Stephen White by E. Thornburgh & Co. during the probate of the estate is as follows.

*Nashville, In  
The Estate of Stephen White  
Deceased Do to E Thornburgh & Co.*

*April 6th 1838 By sundries 6.26*

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May 2nd	To pair of shoes	at 150	1.50
May 10th	Curri comb	at 25	.25
	1/4 lbs of pepper	at 25	.06 1/4
	1 flat iron	at 65	.65
	1 1/2 yds of factory	at 10	.15
	1 1/2 yd of edging	at 5	.07 1/2
May 23rd	1 waist band	at 37 1/2	.37 1/2
	1 thimble	at 6 1/4	.06 1/4
June 8th	2 yds of Calico	at 25	.50
“ 10th	by Susannah White		1.00
August 16th	10 yds of Muslin	at 16 2/3	1.66
	4 yds Check	at 18 3/4	.75
	To 7 yds of Calico	at 25	1.75
“ 25	4 oz of salts	at 25	.06 1/4
Sept 29	To 4 oz salts	at 25	.06 1/4
	1 1/2 yds of bleached muslin		.54
	1 1/2 yds footing	at 10	.15
	To bobinet		.12 1/2
Oct 1st	3 lbs Coffee	at 20	.60
	1 parst beard	at 6 1/4	.06 1/4
“ 30th	By balance		.73 3/4
Nov 2nd	1 paper of tase	at 12 1/2	.12 1/2
“ 9th	1 pair of scissors	at 12 1/2	.12 1/2
“ 23rd	4 oz salts	at 25	.06 1/4
Dec 4th	4 oz salts	at 25	.06 1/4
Jan 7 1839	1 bolt	at 18 3/4	.18 3/4
“ 9th	by balance of whiskey	at 12 1/2	.12 1/2
March 4th	1 qt of whiskey	at 25	.25
“ 30th	2 spelling books	at 25	.25
June 8th	1 qt of whiskey	at 25	.25
June 13th	1 qt of whiskey	at 25	.25
“ 18th	1 qt of whiskey	at 25	.25
July 17th	1 qt of whiskey	at 25	.25
August 5th	1 phial of nerve		
	and linamentat	37 1/2	.37 1/2
	Balance on apron	12 1/2	.12 1/2
“ 6th	1 qt of whiskey	at 25	.25
“ 15th	By Thomas Johnson	100	1.00
“ 16th	1 qt of whiskey	at 25	.25
			21.57
May 2nd 1838	Cr By 10 yards of linen	25	2.50
August 15th	By 33 yds of ___ linen		6.60
April 1st 1839	By sugar	42	.42
“ 4th	By sugar	22	.22
			9.74



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<i>Debt</i>	<i>21.57</i>
<i>Credit</i>	<i>9.74</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11.85</i>

May 1st, 1843 by E. Thornburgh (Elisha or Elijah--Author) true and sworn to before Robert Eakin, J.P. (Seal) E. Thornburgh signed that he received payment in full for his account on March 8, 1847.

A bill presented by Berry Snodgrass against the estate is as follows.

*Aug 1st 1840*

*Bergarnin Snodgrass account against the  
estate of Stephen White dec.*

<i>Jan 1st 1839 S. White dv to razor and case</i>	<i>.50</i>
<i>dv to soap, box, &amp; brush</i>	<i>.25</i>
<i>dv to tea, fine comb, butts, screws</i>	<i>.90</i>
<i>dv to whiskey barrel to 1 quart whiskey</i>	<i>.94</i>
	<i>2.59</i>
<i>Stephen White les by sugar</i>	<i>.23</i>
<i>dv les by cash</i>	<i>.75</i>
	<i>.98</i>
	<i>2.59</i>
	<i>.98</i>
<i>Balance due me-----</i>	<i>1.61</i>

*Signed Beryor Snodgrass*

A bill was presented by Elias Fisher to the Estate for \$3.56 1/4 on July 20, 1840. This was for work for reping (sic) and mowing in 1839. (Author note: Elias Fisher was married to Sarah White, daughter of Stephen White) The bill was notarized by Seth Walker, JP

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