

KERFOOT FAMILY HISTORY

Including the memories of  
Thomas Jacob Kerfoot

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## PREFACE

Clifford C. Swain gave the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal National Historical Park (C&O Canal NHP) five oral histories, in 1965 and 1973. Those have now been transcribed into electronic form; the oral histories are available on CDs from the C&O Canal NHP and the transcriptions are also available in both printed and electronic form from the C&O Canal NHP. Clifford remembered Tom Kerfoot as the lock keeper at Lock 40, which was very close to Snyder's Landing where the Sharpsburg boat captains tied up for the winter. A check of the C&O Canal Association membership revealed a Tom and Anne Kerfoot now living in Shepherdstown, WV. A telephone call confirmed that Tom Kerfoot of Shepherdstown is the grandson of Tom Kerfoot of Lock 40. Tom and Anne volunteered to help write a family history by providing a transcription of the ORAL HISTORY ABOUT THOMAS FLEMING KERFOOT and photographs of his grandparents.

Tables of vital statistics are provided at the end of this story. The tables were initially built from census data. Then as subsequent census reports provided different data the tables were revised. When obituaries, family bibles or tombstones were found, the data was again refined. Thus the data in the tables is believed to be the most accurate. We have tried to be comprehensive on the families. This is a work in progress and new information would be most welcome. The correspondents supporting this effort are highlighted in yellow.

In 2014 Rick Fox, a descendent of Richard D. Kerfoot loaned me the book "KERFOOT, KEARFOTT and Allied Families in America" compiled and edited by Robert R. Kearfoot, published privately in 1948 and reprinted in 2011. The book does provide a wealth of information. The vital statistics table was revised and then the scope of this work expanded to give some additional information about the 1st and 2nd generation from Richard and Anne Kerfoot.

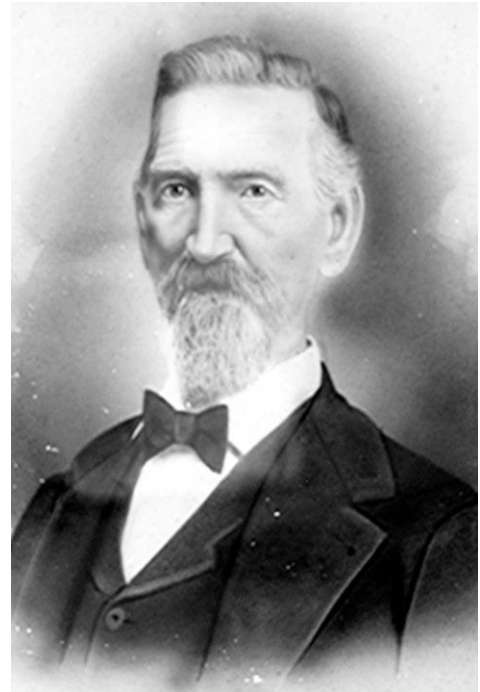
All photographs were provided by Richard Morningstar unless otherwise noted.

We hope the story is interesting reading and welcome any additions, corrections and comments.

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The Kerfoot and Arthur families are intertwined. In 1850 Elisabeth Arthur, age 33, was living in Shepherdstown with her two children: Margaret V., age 10; and William, Age 9.<sup>1</sup> Then in 1860 Margaret V. Arthur, age 20, William Arthur, age 19, and Ann E. Arthur, age 1 were recorded still living in Shepherdstown.<sup>2</sup> An 1860 record for Elizabeth Arthur was not found.

The first record we have found of Thomas F. Kerfoot was the 1860 census of Funkstown, MD.<sup>3</sup> Thomas' father, Richard D. Kerfoot was a shoemaker. The adjacent undated photo of Richard D. Kerfoot was taken in Chicago prior to his moving to Maryland. Thomas Fleming, a 76 year old man born in Ireland was living with the family. He was Richard's father-in-law and his last name became Thomas' middle name. Richard Kerfoot was born in Pennsylvania. His wife, Anne E. Kerfoot and their first four children were born in Maryland, before the War. We read from Richard D. Kerfoot's obituary that he served in the Confederate army and for conspicuous bravery was promoted from the ranks to be a captain.<sup>4</sup> He served on the staffs of General Robert E. Lee and General Stonewall Jackson. No collaborating documentation has been found to support the statements in his obituary regarding actual service in the Confederate army.



We can further confirm that the Richard D. Kerfoot family lived in Funkstown, MD in 1860 because Richard Kerfoot sold a cow to William Troxell for \$25,<sup>5</sup> sold some furniture and other household utensils to Hiram H. Harvey for \$40<sup>6</sup> and another cow to William Troxell for \$25.<sup>7</sup> Also in August 1863 Richard D. Kerfoot, age 36, white, shoemaker, born in Pennsylvania, residing in Funkstown, Md. registered for military duty.<sup>8</sup> But did he serve? Sometime between 1860, when the census was taken, and Nov. 1863 Thomas Fleming died. We determine that from the \$25 mortgage Richard and Ann Kerfoot took with Isaac Nesbitt using Ann E. Kerfoot's interest in the Real Estate of the late Thomas Fleming, deceased, her father.<sup>9</sup>

Their fifth child, daughter, Kate N. Kerfoot was born in the District of Columbia in 1867, after the War. This would suggest the family moved to the District of Columbia for a period during or after the War.

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<sup>1</sup> 1850 Census, Virginia, Jefferson County, Shepherdstown, enumerated on 7/19/1850, p. 16.

<sup>2</sup> 1860 Census, Virginia, Jefferson County, Shepherdstown, enumerated on 7/24/1860, p. 98.

<sup>3</sup> 1860 Census, Maryland, Washington County, Funkstown, enumerated on 6/22/1860, p. 102.

<sup>4</sup> *The Courier*, Connellsville, PA, newspaper, Friday, June 5, 1903, p. 1.

<sup>5</sup> Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed Book IN 14, page 552, recorded 3/14/1860.

<sup>6</sup> Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed Book IN 14, page 631, recorded 4/7/1860.

<sup>7</sup> Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed Book IN 14, page 751, recorded 5/17/1860.

<sup>8</sup> U. S., Civil War Draft Registrations Records, Maryland, Fourth Congressional District, Vol. 7 of 9, p. 106.

<sup>9</sup> Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed Book IN 17, page 421, recorded 11/17/1863.

By 1870 Richard D. Kerfoot, age 40, living in census dwelling 191, had a shoemaking business in Shepherdstown, WV.<sup>10</sup> His wife, Ann was 36 years old, daughter Mary J. was 19 years old; son Thomas was 14 years old; son William was 12 years old; son Jefferson was 9 years old; and daughter Kate N. was 3 years old. Elisabeth Arthur, age 66, living in census dwelling 190, was keeping house.<sup>11</sup> Living with her were: William Arthur, age 30 son, working as a Boatman; George, age 19, working as a Boatman; Annie, age 11, daughter; Isaiah Rose, age 30, working as a Boatman and Margaret D. Rose, age 32, wife. A check of canal boat registers reveals that William L. Arthur was the captain and owner of "M. M. Jane" built by F. Mertens in 1870.<sup>12</sup> The canal boat was bought on April 24, 1875; the mortgage is appended at the back of this report. It would seem reasonable that George Arthur, aged 24, served as part of the crew for William L. Arthur, aged 35. No record has been found of Isaiah Rose owning a boat, thus we suppose he too served as a crewman on William L. Arthur's canal boat and cooperated on household expenses. They undoubtedly wintered over in Shepherdstown in the one house.

On January 27, 1872 a newspaper had the following obituary:

#### **Deaths**

Kate Newton, daughter of R. D. and Ann E. Kerfoot, of this town, departed this life January 16th, 1872, aged 4 years, 6 months and 13 days.<sup>13</sup>

By March 31, 1873 Richard D. Kerfoot had become indebted to A. Louis Miller of Allegany County in the sum of \$850.<sup>14</sup> Richard signed a mortgage using his five mules and three sets of harness as collateral; the mortgage to be paid by Aug. 1, 1873. Richard must have paid off that mortgage because on Sept. 15, 1873 he bought the canal boat "J. R. Ray" for \$2100 from Frederick Mertens.<sup>15</sup> The canal boat mortgage was to be paid in installments of \$40 per trip freighting coal from Cumberland to Georgetown, Washington or Alexandria. A newspaper reported that at the Nov. 25, 1873 Circuit Court session the case of R. D. Kerfoot vs. H. F. Needy and Wm. A. Marshall was tried.<sup>16</sup> Verdict for the Plaintiff. Beltzhoover for Plaintiff, Travers and Bragonier for Defendants.

Financial troubles persisted and by Oct. 1, 1874 Richard D. Kerfoot was in debt \$177.47 to John T. Dixon and put up his canal boat and five mules as collateral.<sup>17</sup>

The newspaper accounts for 1874 are incomplete and there was a boatman's strike that year.<sup>18</sup> Nevertheless, the J. R. Ray departed Cumberland on 5/24, 7/12, 8/2, 9/15, 10/1, 10/18, 11/5, 11/20 and 12/4/1874; to Georgetown for Consolidation Coal Co. The records for 1875 are much better.<sup>19</sup> The "J. R. Ray" departed from Cumberland to Georgetown on: 4/29, 5/10, 5/24, 6/4,

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<sup>10</sup> 1870 Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, Shepherdstown, enumerated on 8/8/1870, p. 32.

<sup>11</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 31 & 31.

<sup>12</sup> *Register of Boats Employed on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1878*, available from [www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html](http://www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html).

<sup>13</sup> *The Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, Saturday, 1/27/1872, p. 2.

<sup>14</sup> Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, MD, Deed Book IN 39, page 400, recorded 4/7/1873.

<sup>15</sup> Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, MD, Deed Book IN 40, page 234, recorded 9/22/1873.

<sup>16</sup> *The Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, Saturday, 11/30/1873, p. 2

<sup>17</sup> Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, MD, Deed Book IN 43, page 287, recorded 10/1/1874.

<sup>18</sup> *Compilation of Canal Trade Articles from the Cumberland Alleganian and Cumberland Daily Times 1/1-3/31/1874 and 5/25-12/30/1874*, Allegany County, MD. available from [www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html](http://www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html).

<sup>19</sup> *REGISTER OF DESCENDING BOATS, Passing Lock 75, 1875 Boating Season, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company.* available from [www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html](http://www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html).

6/17, 6/28, 7/12, 7/27, 8/10, 9/10, 9/24, 10/15, 11/6, 11/22 and 12/8/1875; about every two weeks; until August 10. Then there was another boatman's strike; his round trip times subsequent to the strike extended closer to three weeks.

During 1876 the "John R. Ray" departed Cumberland on 4/9, 4/25, 5/7, 5/23, 6/2, 6/19, 7/10, 7/18, 7/28, 8/10, 9/1, 9/13, 10/5, 10/21, 11/10 and 11/27; 16 round trips in 8 months.<sup>20</sup>



On April 5, 1877, Capt. Kerfoot made his first trip of that boating season with the "J. R. Ray." On April 30 1877 Capt. Kerfoot took the "J. R. Ray" on one last trip,<sup>21</sup> after which Frederick Mertens seized the boat as evidenced by the adjacent advertisement which was run continuously from June 13, 1877 until the sale on June 23, 1877.<sup>22</sup>

Apparently the canal boat was not sold, because starting on June 21, 1877 [two days before the sale] Captain Anderson departed Cumberland with the "J. R. Ray," he made nine trips and in 1878 Capt. Anderson made eighteen trips to Georgetown for Consolidation Coal Co. So, we conclude that there was nothing wrong with the boat. We notice the "J. R. Ray" was registered in 1878 with Captain

David Anderson, owned and employed by F. Mertens and built in 1872.<sup>23</sup>

During 1876 Captain William L. Arthur, departed from Cumberland freighting coal with his boat "Mercia Martha Jane" on 4/8, 4/25, 5/6, 5/24, 6/2, 6/16, 7/7, 7/17, 7/25, 8/12, 9/1, 9/14, 10/6, 10/23, 11/13 and 11/30/1876; 16 trips in 7 months. During 1877 Captain Arthur started late in the year, departing on 6/8, 6/22, 9/3, 9/15, 10/4, 10/24 and 11/9/1877; 7 trips in 6 months. During 1878 Captain Arthur departed on 5/10, 5/25, 6/11, 7/3, 7/23, 8/21, 8/28, 9/13, 10/2, 10/21, 11/8 and 11/30; 12 trips in 7 months. In 1879 Captain Arthur departed from Cumberland on 4/1/1879 and then neither he nor the boat were reported departing for the balance of 1879.

On Dec. 9, 1879 William L. Arthur married Mary Jane Kerfoot. On Dec. 12, 1879 Thomas Fleming Kerfoot married Anna Elizabeth Arthur. It appears that a brother and sister married a sister and brother who had been living in the adjacent house. It also appears that the men quit boating for awhile. Capt. Johnson did freight with the "Mercia Martha Jane" 5 times in Sept. - Nov., 1880. At 10 years old, the boat was possibly then retired at the end of the 1880 boating season.

<sup>20</sup> *Compilation of Canal Trade Articles for the Cumberland Alleganian & Daily Times, 1876, Allegany County, MD.* available from [www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html](http://www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html).

<sup>21</sup> *COMPILATION OF CANAL TRADE ARTICLES FROM THE ALLEGANIAN A CUMBERLAND NEWSPAPER, 1877, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD.* also available from the same web-site.

<sup>22</sup> *The Cumberland Alleganian and Daily Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Saturday, 6/16/1877, p. 3.*

<sup>23</sup> *Register of Boats Employed on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1878,* available from [www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html](http://www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html).

The 1880 census reported Richard Kerfoot, age 49, had a shoemaking business in Halltown, Bolivar, WV.<sup>24</sup> His wife Ann E. was 49 years old and their son Jefferson, age 18 was working in a paper mill. He must have been doing reasonably well because we find in 1881 and 1882 he was taxed for a horse; a cow; 2 or 3 wagons; a clock; a dog; a piano or organ and their real estate.<sup>25</sup> No records were found for 1883 or 1884. Then in 1885 and 1886, Ann E. Kerfoot was taxed for their real estate. And in 1887 and 1888, Anne E. Kerfoot was taxed for a horse; a cow; a piano or organ; a dog; and their real estate. No records were found for 1889, which was possibly when Richard Kerfoot moved his family to the vicinity of Connellsville, PA.

By 1880 Thomas and Anne Kerfoot were living in Potomac, Jefferson County, WV.<sup>26</sup> Thomas was 22 years old working as a laborer, Anne was 21 years old, and Margaret Rose, the 40 year old, widowed, mother-in-law was living with them. From this we thought that Anne's maiden name was Rose, except later obituaries give Arthur as her maiden name.

Thomas Kerfoot was a large, strong man who, according to family legend, "liked to fight and liked to fish." There is a family story that two men were struggling to load a log on a wagon when Tom came by, offered to help, and ended up loading the log on the wagon by himself.<sup>27</sup>

The part about fighting can be supported by the story:

"Thomas Kerfoot, a son of R. D. Kerfoot, the Knight of Labor leader, was arrested on Saturday by Constable Frank Campbell, for assault committed upon Yard-boss William Swift at Morgan, four months ago. A warrant had been issued for Kerfoot's arrest just after the assault was committed, but he escaped into West Virginia. As soon as Kerfoot came to town he was nabbed by Campbell and placed in the lockup. The case was compromised Saturday evening."<sup>28</sup>

Thomas Kerfoot had moved his family to Uniontown, PA about 1882 and remained there until about 1890. The big flood of June 1889 had damaged the C & O Canal badly. After a long, involved court case the Canal Company was taken over by court appointed receivers. In Feb. 1891 the citizens of Sharpsburg organized a celebration in anticipation of a ratification of the canal case by the Court of Appeals. Tom Kerfoot was appointed to the finance committee.<sup>29</sup> Thus we know the time frame he returned to MD and the part about fishing can be verified by the story:

#### **"Caught a Thirty-Pound Carp.**

"Thomas Kerfoot last Wednesday caught a German carp, weighing thirty pounds, in Mr. Samuel D. Piper's fish-pot in the Potomac river about 3 miles northwest of Sharpsburg. This is the largest carp yet caught in the Potomac above tidewater. Kerfoot did not take its dimensions, but it was over three feet in length."<sup>30</sup>

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<sup>24</sup> 1880 Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, Bolivar, enumerated on 6/23/1880, p. 34B.

<sup>25</sup> Shepherdstown [Tax] Assessor's Book for 1881 – 1884.

<sup>26</sup> 1880 Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, Potomac, enumerated on 6/18/1880, p. 31.

<sup>27</sup> ORAL HISTORY ABOUT THOMAS FLEMING KERFOOT, provided by Thomas J. Kerfoot, 6/27/2009.

<sup>28</sup> *The Courier*, Connellsville, PA, newspaper, Friday, Dec. 13, 1889, p. 5.

<sup>29</sup> *The Herald and Torch Light*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Thursday, Feb. 26, 1891, p. 3.

<sup>30</sup> *The Herald and Torch Light*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Thursday, Aug. 4, 1892, p. 2.



To the left he is shown in one of his boats. Another verification that Tom Kerfoot liked to fish was: "Thomas Kerfoot, who is lock-keeper at the head of the five-mile level on the C. & O. canal, six miles above Shepherdstown, asks us to inform the public that he is conducting a first-class fishing resort at that place. He has boats, fishing tackle, bait and everything necessary to catch the bass which abound in that neighborhood. Furthermore, Tom says he will endorse all the big fish stories told by his customers."<sup>31</sup> And the one

sentence story: "Thomas Kerfoot caught 135 eels in a fish-pot in the Potomac river."<sup>32</sup> Then a longer story: "**Fish Story.** Mr. Thomas Kerfoot, who is the tender at Lock 38 [sic 40] on the C. & O. canal some miles above Shepherdstown, caught a remarkable fish in the fish-pot at that place some days ago. The fish is 19 inches long and weighs 2¾ pounds. In shape it takes after a mackerel, and has a big mouth, with long sharp teeth. The most remarkable thing about the fish, however, is a row of figures and letters along each side of its backbone. On one side in a vivid scarlet are the figures from 1 to 9, and on the other are the letters A, Q, R and Y. Mr. Kerfoot has the fish in a live-box and can show it to anybody who doubts this story.

We have often heard of fish being seen in schools, but this is the first time we have ever heard of them making blackboards of themselves. We suggest this new variety be called the scholar fish."<sup>33</sup>

A newspaper reported: "Mr. Thomas Kerfoot, the popular lock-tender at the head of the five-mile level, on the C. & O. canal, above Shepherdstown, is the proud father of a daughter recently born with four teeth and a suit of silky hair four inches long. This is No. 10, which goes to show that there's luck in other than odd numbers."<sup>34</sup>

"Thomas Fleming Kerfoot ran a tavern at Sharpsburg. However, his wife, Anna Elizabeth (known as Muzzy) objected to raising her children in a tavern. So Thomas Fleming Kerfoot took the job as lock keeper for Lock 40 on the C&O Canal, and he and his wife raised 10 children in that small lockhouse; 4 boys and 6 girls. The children helped with the lock and went to school only during those winter months when the canal was closed. The school they went to was within walking distance, and [was] known as Coxey's School because the schoolmaster was named Mr. Cox. Richard D. Kerfoot told of the time one of the older students threatened to beat up the schoolmaster but, when he rose to do so, Coxey drew a gun and fired it over the student's head."<sup>35</sup> The 1900 census report verifies the part about being a Lock Keeper.<sup>36</sup>

<sup>31</sup> *The Register*, Shepherdstown, WV, newspaper, Thursday, May 30, 1895, p. 3.

<sup>32</sup> *The News*, Frederick, MD, newspaper, Nov. 1, 1897.

<sup>33</sup> *The Register*, Shepherdstown, WV, newspaper, Thursday, Nov. 25, 1897, p. 3.

<sup>34</sup> *The Register*, Shepherdstown, WV, newspaper, Thursday, Mar. 3, 1898, p. 3

<sup>35</sup> ORAL HISTORY ABOUT THOMAS FLEMING KERFOOT, provided by Thomas J. Kerfoot, 6/27/2009.

<sup>36</sup> 1900 Census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Sharpsburg, District No. 67, enumerated on 6/11/1900, p. 3B.





The photograph adjacent was taken of Anna Elizabeth Kerfoot, also known as "Muzzy," at about the same time. Their first child, daughter, Maude, was born in 1881 in Shepherdstown, WV.<sup>37</sup> Then sometime before Feb. 5, 1883 they moved to Pennsylvania where their second daughter, Mary Jane, was born. Three more daughters: Selma Annette "Nettie;" Annie May; and Ola E. were also born in Pennsylvania. The obituary for Annie May Kerfoot lists Uniontown, PA as her birthplace.<sup>38</sup> Ola was born in Jan. 1889; then the family returned to Maryland, presumably Sharpsburg, by Mar. 1891 when the first son, Richard Davis Kerfoot, was born. Two more sons followed: William in Apr. 1893; Burgan in Sept. 1895; and a daughter, Margaret Ruth in Feb. 1898. Annie, Ola, Richard and William had attended school for 8 months during the previous year. Son, Thomas Jefferson Kerfoot, was born on 6/16/1900, five days after the 1900 census was taken.

The undated photo to the right was taken at Lock 40,

notice the lock gate balance beam and two lock keys in front of the men. The view is looking up the canal, the men are standing on the towpath side. Thomas F. Kerfoot is on the right, the others are not identified.



The 1900 census reported William Arthur, age 58, married 20 years, working as a day laborer in Shepherdstown.<sup>39</sup> Living with him were: Mary [Jane Kerfoot], age 51, married 20 years, she had seven children 5 of whom were then still living; Katie, age 19, daughter; Richard, age 17, son, working as a day laborer; Robert, age 15; Anna Belle, age 13; and Mary, age 7.

The 1900 census reported Jefferson Davis Kerfoot, age 39, a driver in the mines, was then living in North Union, Pa. with: his wife, Jennie [Nancy Jane], age 34, son, Abraham, age 14 and already working as a tripper in the mines; Pansy, age 12, daughter; Albert H., age 10, son; Ray G., age 10, son; John D., age 8, son; Anna B., age 4, daughter; Abraham Grindle, age 70, father-in-law, retired; and Ralph Grindle, age 39, brother-in law, employed as a Coke Leveler. From this record we determine Jennie's maiden name.

<sup>37</sup> *The Morning Herald*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Friday, Jan. 5, 1962, p. 20.

<sup>38</sup> *The Daily Mail*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Monday, Dec. 27, 1965, p. 2.

<sup>39</sup> 1900 Census, West Virginia, Jefferson Cty., Shepherdstown, Dist. No. 48, enumerated on 6/4/1900, p. 3B.





The above family portrait, was taken at Lock 40, notice the lock gate and lock key to the left behind Tom Kerfoot holding the fishing pole with a fish. Jefferson D. Kerfoot, Tom's brother, is to the right holding a shotgun. Others remain to be identified and identification would be most welcome. The date was 1890 to 1900.

In May 1901 we read: "Mrs. W. L. Arthur returned to her home in Shepherdstown, Md. Saturday after a three weeks' visit with her father, R. D. Kerfoot, and other relatives in Morgan."<sup>40</sup> That was first daughter, Mary Kerfoot Arthur. Also in 1901 John Wesley Ainsworth married Maude Dunlop Kerfoot, the announcement remains to be found. The adjacent undated photo of them appears to be a formal photograph such as would be taken at their wedding.



In August of 1905 a break occurred in the canal; the washout was on what was known as the four-mile level, between Kerfoot's lock and Big Slackwater.<sup>41</sup>

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<sup>40</sup> *The Courier*, Connellsville, PA, newspaper, Friday, May 3, 1901, p. 12.

<sup>41</sup> *The Evening Times*, Cumberland, MD, newspaper, Monday, Aug. 14, 1905, p. 1.

In 1906 William S. Bender married Mary Jane Kerfoot. The adjacent undated photo is of Mary Jane Kerfoot. She married at 23 years of age and thus the photo was circa 1906.



We found a Dec. 4, 1907 listing for Canal Boat 41, T. Kerfoot Master, bringing a load of coal from Cumberland to Georgetown.<sup>42</sup> In 1907 Thomas F. Kerfoot would have been 50 years old; he might have turned over lock-tending duties to his wife and 16 year old son, Richard.

In 1908 William S. and Mary Jane [Kerfoot] Bender were living at 413 W. Church St., Hagerstown, Md. and he was a Brakeman for a railroad.<sup>43</sup>

In 1910 William Arthur, age 68, married 30 years, was working as a concrete contractor in Shepherdstown.<sup>44</sup> Living with him were: Mary [Jane Kerfoot], age 61, married 30 years, she had 7 children 5 of whom were then still living; Katie, age 28; Bob, age 25; Annabelle, age 23; and Dallas, age 16. Son Richard D. Kerfoot had married in 1905 and moved out.

In 1910 Thomas F. Kerfoot, age 52, still listed Lock Keeper [Lock 40] as his occupation, he and Anna had been married 31 years.<sup>45</sup> The oldest two daughters, Maude and Mary Jane, had left home in 1901 and 1908 respectively. Daughters Selma, age 25, Anna E., age 23, and Ola, age 21 were still living at home. Richard D. at 19 years old and William L. at 17 years old were already working as Boatmen. Henry C. B., age 14, son; Margaret R., age 12, daughter; and Thomas J., age 9, son were also still living at home.

The 1910 census reported John W. Ainsworth, age 29, married 9 years, was working as a laborer on the C. & O. Canal.<sup>46</sup> Living with him were: Maude, age 29, wife, married 9 years, she had 3 children all of whom were then still living; William, age 8, son; Louise, age 5, daughter; and Fannie, age 2, daughter.

The 1910 census reported William S. Bender, age 35, married 5 years, then living on Frederick Street, Hagerstown and working as a brakeman for a railroad.<sup>47</sup> Living with him were: Mary J. [Kerfoot], age 27, married 5 years with 3 children two of whom were then still living; Thomas J, age 3, son; Fred, age 1-8/12, son; and Ola Kerfoot, age 20, sister-in-law working as an apprentice at a stocking factory. The 1910 City Directory gives their house number as 12 Frederick St.<sup>48</sup>

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<sup>42</sup> *Register of Descending Boats Passing Lock No. 5*, Trustees Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, [www.whilbr.org](http://www.whilbr.org).

<sup>43</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1908, p. 32.

<sup>44</sup> 1910 Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, District No. 58, enumerated on 4/19/1910, p. 4B

<sup>45</sup> 1910 Census, Maryland, Washington County, Election District No. 1, enumerated on 4/21/1910, p. 5B.

<sup>46</sup> 1910 Census, Maryland, Washington County, Election District No. 1, enumerated on 4/15/1910, p. 1A

<sup>47</sup> 1910 Census, Maryland, Washington County, Hagerstown Ward 3, enumerated on 4/26/1910, p. 5A.

<sup>48</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1910, p. 37.

"When the Kerfoot children grew older, Thomas Fleming Kerfoot put three of the boys: Richard, Burgan and William to work for a canal boat captain as mule tenders and drivers. Their older sisters - Annie, Ola and Maude - also worked on canal boats, cooking and cleaning. They also took turns steering the boat. At the age of 14 [1894], while Maude was employed as a cook on a canal boat, she helped deliver another woman's baby. Richard D. Kerfoot later became a boatman. When he was 20, the canal boat captain did not give him his wages but instead gave them to his father, Thomas Fleming Kerfoot. Richard got mad, and said 'By golly, if I'm going to work, they're going to pay me.' And he hopped off the canal boat at Williamsport and took a trolley to Hagerstown, where he got a job at the B&O Railroad and readied to move to the Halfway, MD area. His mother, Muzzy, is reported to have said, 'Well, if you're going to move, I'm going to move too.' The whole family then moved, leaving the canal life behind."<sup>49</sup> If Richard was 20 years old when he moved to Hagerstown that would have been 1911; after the 1910 census.

Meanwhile from the 1910 census we find that Jefferson D. Kerfoot, age 48, married 24 years, was working as a bartender in a saloon in North Union, Pa.<sup>50</sup> Living with him were: Jennie, age 44, his wife of 24 years, who had had 6 children all of whom were then still living; Abraham, age 24, son, a Laborer in a brewery; Albert, age 21, son, working as a teamster in a coal mine; Ray, age 19, son, working as a laborer in a coal mine; John D., age 17, son, also working as a laborer in a coal mine; and Annabel, age 13.

The 1910 census reported William S. Bender, age 35, working as a Brakeman for a Railroad, was living in Hagerstown, Md.<sup>51</sup> Living with him were: Mary J. [Kerfoot], age 27, wife; Thomas J., age 3, son; Fred, age 1, son; and Ola Kerfoot, age 20, sister-in-law, who was an apprentice in a stocking factory.

By 1915 Thomas F. Kerfoot and his family were living at 291 N. Mulberry St., Hagerstown.<sup>52</sup> Thomas F. was working in a lab; Annie M. worked at Roulettes; Ola was a telegraph operator; Richard D. was a railroader; William L. was a foreman for Norfolk & Western Railroad; and H. Burgan was a merchant.

On May 26, 1916 Thomas F. Kerfoot and John W. Ward bought two adjacent lots on the East side of Mechanic Street, Sharpsburg, MD.<sup>53</sup> Lot No. 1 included a house while Lot No. 2 was a vacant lot. On May 5, 1917 Thomas and Anna Kerfoot conveyed their interest in the two lots to John W. Ward.<sup>54</sup>



<sup>49</sup> ORAL HISTORY ABOUT THOMAS FLEMING KERFOOT, provided by Thomas J. Kerfoot, 6/27/2009.  
<sup>50</sup> 1910 Census, Pennsylvania, Fayette County, North Union, District 51, enumerated on 4/18/1910, p. 1A.

<sup>51</sup> 1910 Census, Maryland, Washington County, Hagerstown, District 148, enumerated on 4/26/1910, p. 15A.  
<sup>52</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, Franklin Directory Co., 1915-16.

<sup>53</sup> Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed book 149, page 161, recorded 5/27/1916.

<sup>54</sup> Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed book 151, page 583, recorded 6/21/1917.

March 23, 1917 was a tragic day for Thomas F. Kerfoot and his family. Their son, William Lee shown in the previous photograph, was killed in a roundhouse accident in Hagerstown when super heated steam was released from a locomotive and scalded him. He lived one day and died in the hospital in Hagerstown. He died on March 24, 1917, he was 23 years old. What a horrible way to die.

By 1917 the family home had moved to 124 East Ave., Hagerstown.<sup>55</sup> Thomas F. had no employment; Annie worked at Liberty Manufacturing Co.; Ola was a telegraph operator for the Western Maryland Railway; Richard was a brakeman for the Western Maryland Railway; Burgan was a machinist in the Western Maryland Railway shops; Ruth was a telegraph operator for the Western Maryland Railway; and Thomas J. was an apprentice machinist.

World War I came along and eligible men had to register for the draft.



**Henry Clay B. Kerfoot** was 21 years old, living at 124 East Ave. Hagerstown, MD and working as a machinist for the Western Maryland Railroad, in Hagerstown.<sup>56</sup> He was medium in height, with brown eyes, brown hair and not bald. He actually enlisted on 9/26/1917 as a private, promoted to private 1st class 11/1/1917, to corporal on 1/15/1918, to sergeant 1st class on 10/2/1918, to sergeant on 6/9/1919. He served overseas from 9/27/1918 until 6/27/1919; he was honorably discharged as a 1st sergeant, Inf., 22nd Co., 20th Engineers, on 7/18/1919. His pre-deployment photograph is above to left.

**William Lee Kerfoot** was 24 years old, living at Grindstone, Pa. and working as a miner in Colonial No. 4, H. C. Freeh Coke Co.<sup>57</sup> He was married with a wife and 2 children. He was tall in height, medium of build, with brown eyes and light hair, not bald.

**Richard Davis Kerfoot** was 26 years old, living at 124 East Ave. Hagerstown, MD and working as a Brakeman for the Western Maryland Railroad.<sup>58</sup>

**John D. Kerfoot** was 25 years old, living at 339 N. Gallatin Ave., Uniontown, Pa.<sup>59</sup> He had been born in Dawson, Pa. on Nov. 27, 1891. He was a clerk at Pittsburg Steel Co., Monessen, Pa. He was single, tall, medium build, blue eyes, brown hair and not bald.

**Thomas Jefferson Kerfoot** was 18 years old, living at 801 Virginia Ave., Hagerstown, MD and working as a machinist for the Western Maryland Railroad.<sup>60</sup> He was 5' - 9" tall, slender build, with brown eyes and black hair.

**Abraham G. Kerfoot** was 32 years old, living at Out Crop, PA and was working as a Coal Co. Superintendent for Harah Coal & Coke Co. of the same place.<sup>61</sup> Gertrude Kerfoot, of

<sup>55</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, Franklin Directory Co., 1917-18.

<sup>56</sup> Draft Registration Card, Washington County, MD, Serial No. 1414, dated June 5, 1917.

<sup>57</sup> Draft Registration Card, Fayette County, PA, Serial No. 800, dated June 5, 1917

<sup>58</sup> Draft Registration Card, Washington County, MD, Serial No. 1487, dated June 5, 1917.

<sup>59</sup> Draft Registration Card, Westmoreland County, PA, Serial No. 322, dated June 15, 1917.

<sup>60</sup> Draft Registration Card, Washington County, MD, Serial No. 2123, dated Sept. 12, 1918.

<sup>61</sup> Draft Registration Card, Fayette County, PA, Serial No. 880, dated Sept. 12, 1918.

the same address, was listed as the nearest relative. He was described as tall, medium build, blue eyes with dark hair.

**Albert Kerfoot** was 28 years old, living at 20 Coffee St., Uniontown, Pa. and was working as the Fire Boss for Oliver Snyder Co.<sup>62</sup> He was married. He was tall, stout of build, gray eyes, brown hair and not bald.

By 1919 the Kerfoot family home had moved to Highland Way Ave. (Surry).<sup>63</sup> Thomas F. had no employment; Annie E. worked at Klein-Moffett Co.; Ola was still a telegraph operator with the Western Maryland Railway; H. C. Burgan was in the U. S. Army; M. Ruth was still a telegraph operator with the Western Maryland Railway; and Thomas J. was still a machinist.

The 1920 census reported Mary J. [Kerfoot] Arthur, age 71, widowed, as the head of the house on Washington Street, Shepherdstown.<sup>64</sup> She owned the home free of any mortgage. Living with her was: Katie N., age 39, working as a telephone operator. Living in the same house was Robert A. Early, age 36; Annie B[elle Arthur], age 33; and James A., age 4, son.

On Nov. 1, 1920 Richard D. Kerfoot and Edna R. Kerfoot, his wife, bought half of a double frame dwelling house on South Potomac Street in Hagerstown, MD.<sup>65</sup> They had to take a mortgage to cover some of the purchase money; however the mortgage was released on Nov. 12, 1921 when the property was sold.<sup>66</sup>

The 1920 census reported Thomas Kerfoot, 62 years old, living on Highland Way, Census dwelling 18, family 20, Hagerstown, MD, and he was working as a laborer at Federal Milling Co..<sup>67</sup> Living with him were: Anna E., his 62 year old wife; Anna M., his 32 year old daughter, working as a seamstress in Arcade Building; Ola, his 29 year old daughter, working as a telegraph operator for Western Maryland; Margaret R, his 21 year old daughter, also working as a telegraph operator for Western Maryland; Thomas J., his 19 year old son, working as a machinist on Locomotives; Thomas J. Bender, his 13 year old grandson; Fred Bender, his 11 year old grandson; and William, his 9 year old grandson were all living in the same dwelling. Mary Jane Kerfoot Bender had died on June 30, 1912; her parents were raising these three grandchildren. The dwelling was a duplex with the Richard Davis family living in the other half.

Anna E. "Muzzy" Kerfoot died on March 16, 1920. She was buried at Rose Hill Cemetery, Hagerstown, Md.

The 1920 census reported Henry C. Kerfoot, age 24, was working as a machinist for the Western Maryland Railway, and was living at census dwelling 21, two houses away from his parents.<sup>68</sup> Living with him was Ethel A., age 20, his wife. They had no children yet.

The 1920 census reported John W. Ainsworth, age 38, was living on Shepherd Way, Hagerstown, Md. and working as a fireman for a railroad.<sup>69</sup> Living with him were: Maude

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<sup>62</sup> Draft Registration Card, Fayette County, PA, Serial No. 334, dated Jun. 5, 1917.

<sup>63</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, Franklin Directory Co., 1919-20.

<sup>64</sup> 1920 Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, District No. 74, enumerated on 1/2/1920, p. 1A.

<sup>65</sup> Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed Book 158, page 674, recorded 11/4/1920.

<sup>66</sup> *Ibid.*, page 676, recorded 11/12/1921. See also Deed Book 161, page 285, recorded 11/12/1921.

<sup>67</sup> 1920 Census, Maryland, Washington County, Hagerstown, enumerated on 1/2/1920, p. 1B.

<sup>68</sup> 1920 Census, Maryland, Washington County, Hagerstown, enumerated on 1/2/1920, p. 2A.

K[erfoot], age 39, wife; William T., age 18, son, working as a laborer for Western Maryland Railway; Anna L., age 15, daughter; Francis A., age 11, daughter; and Mary M., age 9, daughter.

The 1920 census also reported that Jefferson D. Kerfoot, age 57, was living on North Galleton Ave., North Union, Pa. and was working as a bartender in a hotel.<sup>70</sup> Living with him was Jennie, age 58, his wife. Their children had all moved out. Their son, John D. Kerfoot, age 27, had married Pearl McKnight, age 28, and were living with her parents on Nut Avenue, Uniontown, Pa. John was a student and Pearl was a school teacher.

Their daughter, Anna Bell Kerfoot, had married Harry T. Rafter and in 1921 were living at 258 Oliver St. in Uniontown, Pa. where he was a driver for Union Supply Co.<sup>71</sup>

In 1921 Thomas Jefferson and Maude Kerfoot were living on Church St., Hagerstown and he was employed as a machinist.<sup>72</sup>

In 1922 Thomas F. Kerfoot [widowed] was living at 110 E. Franklin St., Hagerstown, and was employed at Maryland Ribbon Co.<sup>73</sup> Living with him was Anna, his daughter, who was working as a machine operator at Klein-Moffett Co. Richard D. and Edna R. Kerfoot were living at 703 S. Potomac St. and he was working as a conductor on the Western Maryland Railway. Burgan and Ethel A. Kerfoot were living at 9 E. Lee Street and he was working as a machinist. Living with them was Henry C. Kerfoot who was employed at Hagerstown Shoe & Legging Co. Henry Clay Burgan Kerfoot was also known as Burgan or Henry C. Kerfoot, and he was married to Ethel A. Kerfoot. A family story asserts that Burgan (Henry C.) Kerfoot did work for the Hagerstown Shoe & Legging Co. as a teenager and he designed a machine to do a manual operation. The design was rejected by Burgan's boss but the company patented it. So it appears that he was recorded twice in the 1922-23 City Directory; he may have recently changed jobs.

On May 3, 1924 Richard and Edna Kerfoot bought a lot on the North side of Virginia Ave. in the village of Halfway, MD.<sup>74</sup>

From the 1925 City Directory we read that Jefferson D. and Jennie Kerfoot were still living at 339 Gallatin Ave. and no occupation was listed.<sup>75</sup> Albert H. and Nancy Kerfoot were living at 22 W. Coffey St. and he was a policeman. Ray G. and Mary A. Kerfoot were living at 45 John St. and he was in the hauling business out of his home. John D. and Pearl Kerfoot were still living at 70 Nutt Ave. and he was in the hauling business out of his home.

On Nov. 29, 1926 Thomas F. Kerfoot and Anna E. Kerfoot, his daughter, bought a lot on the North side of Heisterboro Road in the village of Halfway, MD.<sup>76</sup>

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<sup>69</sup> 1920 Census, Maryland, Washington County, Hagerstown, enumerated on 1/2/1920, p. 1B.

<sup>70</sup> 1920 Census, Pennsylvania, Fayette County, North Union, District 63, enumerated on 1/17/1920, p. 17A.

<sup>71</sup> *Uniontown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1921, p. 391.

<sup>72</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1921, p. 876.

<sup>73</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, Franklin Directory Co., 1922-23, p. 456.

<sup>74</sup> Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed Book 168, page 357, recorded 5/3/1924.

<sup>75</sup> *Uniontown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1925, p. 343.

<sup>76</sup> Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed Book 176, page 468, recorded 3/5/1927.

From the 1928 City Directory we read that Jefferson D. and Jennie Kerfoot were living at 339 Gallatin Ave. where he was in the hauling business out of his home.<sup>77</sup> Albert H. and Nancy Kerfoot were living at 22 W. Coffey St. and he was a policeman. Ray G. and Mary Kerfoot were living at 45 John St. and he was in the hauling business out of his home. John D. and Pearl Kerfoot were living at 70 Nutt Ave. and he was in the hauling business out of his home.

By 1928 Harry T. and Annabelle [Kerfoot] Rafter had moved to 29 Hogsett Lane, Uniontown, Pa. and he was then a salesman for Moses Laundry.<sup>78</sup>

In 1929 John W. and Maude [Dunlop Kerfoot] Ainsworth were living at 35 Coffman Ave. and he was an engineer.<sup>79</sup> Living with them were: Frances A. Ainsworth a student nurse at Washington County Hospital [actually she was living at the Nurses Home] and Mary M. Ainsworth.

In 1929 Thomas F. Kerfoot was living at 138 S. Potomac St., Hagerstown and he was employed as a watchman. Living with him were daughters Anna E. and Ola Kerfoot; Ola was working as a telegraph operator at the Western Maryland Railway passenger station.<sup>80</sup> Richard D. and Edna R. Kerfoot were living at 1827 Virginia Ave, Hagerstown, where he worked as a conductor.

That 50' x 150' vacant lot on the North side of Heisterboro Road in the village of Halfway, MD which Thomas and Anna, his daughter, bought in 1927 could have been a house site; we doubt that he did have a house constructed there because the 1930 census reported that Thomas F. Kerfoot, 73 years old, widowed, married at the age of 22 years, was living at 136 South Potomac Street, Hagerstown, Md.<sup>81</sup> Living with him were: Anna E., age 43, daughter; Ola, 41 year old daughter, working as a telephone operator; Frederick Bender, 21 year old nephew [sic grandson], was working as an apprentice iron works; and Ruby E. Huling, age 36, divorced, married at 18 years of age, a lodger, she was an orthopedic physician.

In the adjacent census dwelling was John W. Ainsworth, age 48, married 20 years and working as an engineer, locomotive.<sup>82</sup> Living with him were: Maude K., age 49, wife; Frances A., age 22, daughter, working as a nurse trainee; Mary M., age 19, daughter; and two Lodgers.

The 1930 census reported that Jefferson D. Kerfoot, age 68, married at 23 years of age, was still living in North Union, Pa., in a house valued at \$4,000 which he owned and he was working as a helper on a transfer truck. Living with him was Jennie, age 64, married at 19 years of age. Their son, John D. Kerfoot, age 38, married at age 27, were then living in their own rented home in Uniontown, Pa. where he worked as a Drayman for a Transportation Co. Living with him were: Pearl M., age 38, married at age 27; and Frances, age 4-11/12, daughter.

The 1930 census reported that Henry Kerfoot, age 34, working as a machinist in a tube mill had moved to McKeesport, Pa.<sup>83</sup> Living with him were: Ethel, age 31, wife; Ralph, age 9, son; Nancy, age 2, daughter; and Dorothy, age 0, daughter.

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<sup>77</sup> *Uniontown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1928, p. 324.

<sup>78</sup> *Uniontown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1928, p. 454.

<sup>79</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1929, p. 91.

<sup>80</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1929, p. 285.

<sup>81</sup> 1930 Census, Maryland, Washington County, Hagerstown, enumerated on 4/10/1930, p. 8A.

<sup>82</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>83</sup> 1930 Census, Pennsylvania, Allegheny County, McKeesport, enumerated on 4/14/1930, p. 15B.



Thomas F. Kerfoot died on Feb. 28, 1931.<sup>84</sup> His obituary read: "THOMAS F. KERFOOT, 136 South Potomac Street, a well known resident, died Saturday evening at 9 o'clock from a cerebral hemorrhage, aged 73 years. He was born at Bunker Hill, W. Va., June 20, 1857, the son of Richard and Ann (Fleming) Kerfoot, he later moved to Shepherdstown, and came to this city a number of years ago. He was an employee of the Maryland Ribbon Company for the past eleven years. He was a member of St. John's Episcopal church and Logan Tribe of Red Men, of Washington, D.C. Surviving him are: Daughters, Mrs. J. W. Ainsworth, this city; Mrs. A. R. Browning, Akron, O; Mrs. Howard Sengstack, Washington, D.C.; Misses Annie and Ola Kerfoot, at home; sons, Richard D., this city; Burgan, McKeesport, Pa.; Thomas, Painesville, O.; grandsons, Jacob, Fred and Lucien Bender, at home; sister, Mrs. William Arthur, Charles Town, W. Va.; brother, Jefferson D. Kerfoot, Uniontown, Pa.; 23 grand children and three great-grandchildren. The funeral will be held Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. Services will be conducted at the house by Rev. W. B. McKinley; interment in Rose Hill cemetery."<sup>85</sup> The adjacent photograph was taken in 1931, just before his death. Photograph provided by Robert Todd Kerfoot.



From the 1931 City Directory we read that Jefferson D. and Jennie Kerfoot were living at 339 Gallatin Ave. where he was a janitor at Fairgrounds School.<sup>86</sup> Albert H. and Nancy Kerfoot were living at 22 W. Coffey St. and he was a policeman. George R. and Mary A. Kerfoot were living at 45 John St. and he was a foreman. John D. and Pearl M. Kerfoot were living at 70 Nutt Ave. and he was in the trucking business out of his home.

From the same 1931 City Directory we see that Harry T. and Anna B. [Kerfoot] Rafter were still living at 29 Hogsett Lane.<sup>87</sup> He was working in a lab and she had taken a job as a saleswoman for Peoples Clothing Co.

In 1934 Jefferson D. Kerfoot was still living at 339 N. Gallatin Ave., and her was still a janitor; Jennie was not listed.<sup>88</sup> Albert H. and Nancy M. Kerfoot had moved to 31 W. Coffey St. and he was still a policeman. The listing for George R. and Mary Kerfoot was unchanged from 1931. John D. and Perl M. Kerfoot still lived at 70 Nutt Ave. but how he was the City Treasurer.

In 1934 the information for Harry T. and Anna B. [Kerfoot] Rafter was unchanged, except that Anna was not reported working anyplace.<sup>89</sup>

<sup>84</sup> *The Daily Mail*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Monday, March 2, 1931, p. 16.

<sup>85</sup> *The Morning Herald*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Monday, March 2, 1931.

<sup>86</sup> *Uniontown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1931, p. 218.

<sup>87</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 305

<sup>88</sup> *Uniontown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1934, p. 188.

<sup>89</sup> *Uniontown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1934, p. 264.

In 1935 John W and Maude K. Ainsworth were living at 136 S. Potomac St, Hagerstown, Md.<sup>90</sup> Living with them were daughters Frances A, a nurse and Mary M. a nurse. Also in 1935, Anna E. and Ola Kerfoot were still living in the family home at 136 S. Potomac St., Hagerstown.<sup>91</sup> Richard D. and Edna Kerfoot were living at 1827 Virginia Ave. with their daughter Phyllis N.; he was still a conductor.<sup>92</sup>

Jefferson D. Kerfoot died on Sept. 15, 1936; his obituary remains to be found. From his death certificate, he was widowed, born on Jan. 16, 1862, in Funkstown, Md., parents were R. D. Kerfoot and Anna Fleming, both of whom were born in Lancaster Co., Pa.<sup>93</sup> Jefferson D. was buried at Sylvan Heights Cemetery, Uniontown, Pa.

In 1937 John W and Maude K. Ainsworth were living at 302 N. Potomac St, Hagerstown, Md.<sup>94</sup> Living with them were daughters Frances A, a nurse and Mary M. a nurse. Also in 1937 Anna E. and Ola Kerfoot were still living in the family home at 136 S. Potomac St., Hagerstown; Ola was then a telephone operator for the Western Maryland Railway Co.<sup>95</sup> Richard D. and Edna Kerfoot were still living at 1827 Virginia Ave. and he was working as a conductor.<sup>96</sup> Living with them were daughters: Phyllis W. a clerk at Edward's Store Inc. and Mary T. an operator for C & P Telephone Co. of Baltimore City.

From the 1940 census we find that his son, John D. Kerfoot, age 48, was living on Lebanon St., Uniontown, Pa., and he was working as the Uniontown City Treasurer.<sup>97</sup> Living with him were: Pearl M., age 48, his wife; and Frances, age 14, their daughter.

The 1940 census reported that Henry Kerfoot, age 44, was working as a foreman in a Railroad machine shop and then living in North Versailles, Pa.<sup>98</sup> Living with him were: Ethel, age 41, wife; Ralph, age 19, son, working as a night watchman at a Sand & Gravel Works; Nancy, age 12, daughter; Carol, age 10 [formerly reported as Dorothy in 1930], daughter; and James, age 2, son.

World War II came along and eligible men had to register for the draft.

**Henry Clay Burgan Kerfoot** was 46 years old, living at R. D. #1, McKeesport, Pa. and working at McKeesport Connecting Railroad Co., 502 5th Ave., McKeesport, Pa.<sup>99</sup> Mrs. Ethel A. Kerfoot of the same address would always know his address. He was 5'-9" tall, 145 lbs, brown eyes, brown hair and light complexion.

**Albert Holly Kerfoot** was 53 years old, living at 31 W. Coffee St., Uniontown, Pa. and employed as a policeman.<sup>100</sup>

**John Davis Kerfoot** was 50 years old, living at 5 Lebanon Ave., Uniontown, PA and employed as Uniontown City Treasurer.<sup>101</sup>

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<sup>90</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1935, p. 54.

<sup>91</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1935, p. 207.

<sup>92</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>93</sup> Pennsylvania Certificate of Death, Fayette County, Uniontown, File No. 84869, filed 9/18/1936.

<sup>94</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1937-38, p. 26.

<sup>95</sup> *Hagerstown City Directory*, R. L. Polk & Co., 1937-38, p. 217.

<sup>96</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>97</sup> 1940 Census, Pennsylvania, Fayette County, Uniontown, enumerated on 4/12/1940, p. 61B.

<sup>98</sup> 1940 Census, Pennsylvania, Allegheny County, North Versailles, enumerated on 4/17/1940, p. 2B.

<sup>99</sup> Draft Registration Card, Allegheny County, PA, Serial No. 2159, dated Apr. 27, 1942

<sup>100</sup> Draft Registration Card, Allegheny County, PA, Serial No. 1687, dated Apr. 27, 1942

**Richard David Kerfoot** was 51 years old, living at 1827 Virginia Ave., Hagerstown, Md. and working as a conductor in the Western Maryland R. R. Yard.<sup>102</sup> Ola Kerfoot of 57 W. Washington St., Hagerstown, Md. would always know his address. He was 5'-4" tall, 130 lbs, black eyes, gray hair, and ruddy complexion.

**William [Lee] Kerfoot** was 48 years old, living at 80 Carlisle St., Uniontown, Pa. and working at Colonial # 3, H. C. Frick Coke Co., Fayette Title and Trust Bldg., Uniontown, Pa.<sup>103</sup> Florence Kerfoot of 80 Carlisle St., Uniontown, Pa. would always know his address. He was 5'-7" tall, 140 lbs, with gray eyes, gray hair, bald, and ruddy complexion.

**Albert Holly Kerfoot** was 53 years old, living at 31 W. Coffee St., Uniontown, Pa.<sup>104</sup> He was a policeman for Uniontown, Pa. Hi wife would always know his address. He was 5' - 9" tall, weighed 155 lbs, had brown eyes, brown hair and was of ruddy complexion.

In 1962 a newspaper obituary read: "**Henry C. Burgan Kerfoot**, 1209 7th Street, Lorain, Ohio, husband of Mrs. Ethel Kerfoot, died at Saint Joseph's Hospital, Lorain, Ohio, Tuesday at 12:10 a.m. after an illness of five weeks. He was aged 67 years.

"He was the son of the late Thomas F. and Anna Arthur Kerfoot and was born in Antietam, Md. He was a member of the Christian Temple Church, Lorain, Ohio. He was a retired superintendent of the Lake Terminal Railroad, a 32nd degree Mason, being a member of the McKeesport Lodge A. F. & A. M., and the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rites, and was a World War I veteran.

"Besides his wife, he is survived by his sons Ralph F., Phoenix, Arizona, and James M., Sheffield Lake, Ohio; daughters, Mrs. Nancy Johnson, Indiana, Pa., Mrs. Carol Hoffman, Lorain, Ohio; brother, Reverend Thomas Kerfoot, Warrenton, Va., sisters, Mrs. Ola K. Ball and Miss Annie M. Kerfoot, both of Funkstown, and Mrs. Ruth Sengstack, Washington, D. C. He is survived by nine grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

"Friends may call at the Norman Funeral Home on Thursday between 7 and 9 p.m. Funeral announcements will be made later."<sup>105</sup>

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<sup>101</sup> Draft Registration Card, Allegheny County, PA, Serial No. 1680, dated Apr. 27, 1942.

<sup>102</sup> Draft Registration Card, Baltimore City, MD, Serial No. 0894, dated Apr. 25, 1942.

<sup>103</sup> Draft Registration Card, Cambria County, PA, Serial No. 3068, dated Apr. 27, 1942.

<sup>104</sup> Draft Registration Card, Washington County, PA, Serial No. 1687, dated Apr. 27, 1942.

<sup>105</sup> *Daily Mail*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Tuesday, 2/27/1962, p. 18.

VITAL STATISTICS OF KERFOOT FAMILY

Name	Rel.	Born	Married	Died	Born in
Richard Dilbert <b>Kerfoot</b> <sup>106</sup>	hus	7/9/1829	1847?	6/2/1903 <sup>107</sup>	Pennsylvania
Anne E. <b>Fleming</b>	wife	1/3/1831		3/28/1899	Maryland
<i>Mary Jane Kerfoot</i> (Arthur)	dau	2/22/1849		12/12/1931	Maryland
<i>Thomas Fleming Kerfoot</i>	son	6/20/1857	1879	2/28/1931 <sup>108</sup>	Maryland
<i>William Lee Kerfoot</i>	son	8/6/1859		8/21/1902 <sup>109</sup>	Maryland
<i>Jefferson Davis Kerfoot</i>	son	1/16/1861		9/15/1936	Maryland
<i>Kate Newton Kerfoot</i>	dau	7/3/1867	infant	7/16/1872	Dist. of Col.
<b>Thomas Fleming</b>	f in l	1784		2/1861	Ireland
<b>End of 1st Generation</b>					
<b>William L. Arthur</b> <sup>110</sup>	hus	6/22/1841	12/9/1879	1/12/1918	W. Virginia
<b>Mary Jane Kerfoot</b>	wife	2/1849		12/12/1931	Maryland
<i>Katie Newton Arthur</i> (Boswell)	dau	5/4/1881	8/5/1935	9/21/1962	W. Virginia
<i>Richard Davis Arthur</i>	son	3/29/1883	9/27/1905	1/20/1965	W. Virginia
<i>Robert Lee Arthur</i>	son	1/15/1885	Never	6/8/1932	W. Virginia
<i>Anna Belle Arthur</i> (Early)	dau	8/19/1886	1911	4/17/1970	W. Virginia
<i>Dallas Mary Arthur</i>	dau	4/27/1893	9/25/1918	9/2/1963	W. Virginia
<b>Thomas Fleming Kerfoot</b>	hus	6/20/1857	12/11/1879	2/28/1931	Maryland
<b>Anna Elizabeth Arthur</b>	wife	3/19/1859		3/16/1920	W. Virginia
<i>Maude Kerfoot</i> (Ainsworth)	dau	7/12/1880	1901	1/4/1962 <sup>111</sup>	W. Virginia
<i>Mary Jane Kerfoot</i> (Bender)	dau	2/2/1883	1906	6/30/1912	Pennsylvania
<i>Selma Annette Kerfoot</i> (Browning)	dau	1/18/1885		1/11/1959	Pennsylvania
<i>Annie May Kerfoot</i>	dau	4/1887	Never	12/25/1965 <sup>112</sup>	Pennsylvania
<i>Ola E. Kerfoot</i> (Ball)	dau	1/1889		10/22/1971 <sup>113</sup>	Pennsylvania
<i>Richard David Kerfoot</i>	son	3/9/1891 <sup>114</sup>		6/28/1960 <sup>115</sup>	Maryland
<i>William Lee Kerfoot</i>	son	8/16/1893	7/29/1913	3/24/1917	Maryland
<i>Henry Clay Burgan Kerfoot</i>	son	9/9/1895 <sup>116</sup>		2/27/1962	Maryland
<i>Margaret Ruth Kerfoot</i> (Sengstack)	dau	2/25/1898		10/25/1983 <sup>117</sup>	Maryland
<i>Thomas Jefferson Kerfoot</i>	son	6/16/1900 <sup>118</sup>			Maryland

<sup>106</sup> 1860 US Census, Maryland, Washington County, Funkstown, enumerated on 6/22/1860, p. 102.

<sup>107</sup> *The Courier*, Connellsville, PA, newspaper, Friday, June 5, 1902, p. 1.

<sup>108</sup> *The Daily Mail*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Monday, Mar. 2, 1931, p. 16.

<sup>109</sup> *The Courier*, Connellsville, PA, newspaper, Friday, Aug. 22, 1902, p. 8.

<sup>110</sup> 1900 Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, Shepherdstown, enumerated on 6/4/1900, p. 3B.

<sup>111</sup> *The Morning Herald*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Friday, Jan. 5, 1962, p. 20.

<sup>112</sup> *The Daily Mail*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Monday, Dec. 27, 1965, p. 2.

<sup>113</sup> *The Daily Mail*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Saturday, Oct. 23, 1971, p. 3.

<sup>114</sup> WW-I Draft Registration Card, Washington County, MD, Serial No. 1487, dated 6/5/1917.

<sup>115</sup> *The Morning Herald*, Hagerstown, MD, newspaper, Wednesday, June 29, 1960, p. 22.

<sup>116</sup> WW-I Draft Registration Card, Washington County, MD, Serial No. 1414, dated 6/5/1917.

<sup>117</sup> Social Security Death Index, Ancestry.com, Provo, UT, USA.

<sup>118</sup> WW-I Draft Registration Card, Washington County, MD, Serial No. 2133, dated 9/12/1918.

Name	Rel.	Born	Married	Died	Born in
Jefferson Davis <b>Kerfoot</b>	hus	1/16/1862	4/28/1885	9/15/1936	Maryland
Nancy Jane <b>Grindle</b>	wife	3/1866		9/21/1941	W. Virginia
<i>Abraham G. Kerfoot</i>	son	1/26/1886		4/17/1939	Pennsylvania
<i>Pansy Kerfoot</i> (Reed)	dau	6/1887			Pennsylvania
<i>Albert Holly Kerfoot</i>	son	9/17/1888		1/1966	Pennsylvania
<i>Ray George Kerfoot</i>	son	5/6/1890	1917	5/6/1941	Pennsylvania
<i>John Davis Kerfoot</i>	son	11/27/1891		2/19/1967	Pennsylvania
<i>Anna Bell Kerfoot</i> (Rafter)	dau	8/1895	1921		Pennsylvania
<b>End of 2nd Generation</b>					
John Wesley <b>Ainsworth</b>	hus	5/9/1881	1901	8/11/1938	Maryland
Maude Dunlop <b>Kerfoot</b>	wife	7/12/1880		1/4/1962	W. Virginia
<i>William Thomas Ainsworth</i>	son	1901		1955	Maryland
<i>Louise Anna Ainsworth</i>	dau	10/21/1904		9/8/1997	Maryland
<i>Frances Annette Ainsworth</i>	dau	2/15/1908		6/24/2005	Maryland
<i>Mary Margaret Ainsworth</i>	dau	10/16/1910		2/1981	Maryland
William S. <b>Bender</b>	hus	6/22/1874	1906	6/8/1945	Maryland
Mary Jane <b>Kerfoot</b>	wife	2/2/1883		6/30/1912	Pennsylvania
<i>Thomas Jacob Bender</i>	son	10/26/1906	10/1936	10/2/1990	Maryland
<i>Fred S. Bender</i>	son	10/16/1908		6/11/1934	Maryland
<i>Lucien William Bender</i>	son	6/29/1910		12/3/1989	Maryland
Richard David <b>Kerfoot</b>	hus	3/9/1891	1916	6/28/1960	Maryland
Edna Ruth <b>Bailey</b>	wife	10/1895		2/22/1941	Maryland
<i>Phyllis M. Kerfoot</i> (Schindel)	dau	1/5/1917		3/31/1989	Maryland
<i>Mary Jane Kerfoot</i> (Michael)	dau	4/13/1919		7/2/2002	Maryland
<i>Ruth Kerfoot</i> (Raaum)	dau	2/13/1921			Maryland
<i>Richard Davis Kerfoot, Jr.</i>	son	1923	Never	1938	Maryland
<i>Robert Lee (Bob) Kerfoot</i>	son	8/14/1925		9/23/2007	Maryland
<i>Elizabeth V. (Betty) Kerfoot</i> (Rinehart)	dau	12/23/1927	2/5/1950	12/20/1979	Maryland
<i>Margaret Johanna (Judy) Kerfoot</i> (Braun)	dau	2/26/1930	2/27/1954		Maryland
<b>Thomas Jacob Kerfoot</b>	son	12/7/1932	11/2/1957		Maryland
Henry Clay Burgan <b>Kerfoot</b>	hus	9/9/1895		2/27/1962	Maryland
Ethel A. <b>Smallwood</b>	wife	1900		2/23/1975	Maryland
<i>Ralph Fleming Kerfoot</i>	son	1921		2/14/1966	Maryland
<i>Nancy Jayne Kerfoot</i> (Fox)	dau	5/23/1923		3/15/1999	Maryland
<i>Dorothy Carol Kerfoot</i>	dau	1930			Pennsylvania
<i>James Morris Kerfoot</i>	son	1/13/1938	9/9/1995	4/16/2005	Pennsylvania

Name	Rel.	Born	Married	Died	Born in
Thomas Jefferson <b>Kerfoot</b>	hus	6/16/1900		6/15/1989	Maryland
Maude <b>Kretsinger</b>	wife	6/25/1903		2/16/1989	Maryland
<i>Robert Todd Kerfoot</i>	son	6/5/1927			Ohio
<i>Sally Ann Kerfoot</i>	dau	8/21/1934			Ohio
<i>Ned Kerfoot</i>	son	1938			Ohio
Albert Holly <b>Kerfoot</b>	hus	9/17/1888		1/1966	Pennsylvania
Nancy M.	wife	1892			Pennsylvania
George Ray <b>Kerfoot</b>	hus	5/1890			Pennsylvania
Mary A.	wife				
John Davis <b>Kerfoot</b>	hus	11/27/1891		2/1967	Pennsylvania
Pearl B. <b>McKnight</b>	wife	6/25/1891		1973	Pennsylvania
<i>Frances Kerfoot</i> (Collier)	dau				Pennsylvania
Harry T. <b>Rafter</b>	hus				
Anna Bell <b>Kerfoot</b>	wife	8/1856			Pennsylvania
<b>End of 3rd Generation</b>					
Robert Todd <b>Kerfoot, Sr.</b>	hus	6/5/1927			Ohio
Beatrice <b>Klip</b>	wife				
<b>Robert Todd Kerfoot, Jr.</b>	son				
<i>Richard Lee Kerfoot</i>	son				
<i>Thomas Joseph Kerfoot</i>	son				

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Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, Md., Deed Book IN 14, page 552, 3/14/1860.

At the request of Wm. Troxell the following Bill of Sale was recorded March 14th, 1860.

I, R. D. Kerfoot of Washington County, State of Maryland, in consideration of twenty five dollars paid me by William Troxell of said County, do hereby bargain and sell unto the said William Troxell, one cow. Witness my hand and seal this 13th day of March, 1860.

Witness: S. Colklesser

R. D. Kerfoot {Seal}

State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit: I hereby certify that on this thirteenth day of March 1860, before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared R. D. Kerfoot and acknowledged the above Bill of Sale to be his act. And at the same time personally appeared Wm. Troxell and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that the consideration set forth in the above Bill of Sale is true and bona fide as therein set forth.

Acknowledged & sworn to before

S. Colklesser, J. P.



Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, Md., Deed Book IN 14, page 631, 4/7/1860.

At the request of Hiram H. Harvey the following Bill of Sale was recorded April 7th, 1860.

I, Richard D. Kerfoot of Funkstown District, County of Washington, in consideration of forty dollars paid to me by Hiram H. Harvey of Hagerstown District, County aforesaid, do bargain and sell to the said Hiram H. Harvey, the following property, to wit: two beds & bedding, one side board, one bureau, one stove, twenty six yards of carpeting, one safe, one lot of kitchen furniture. Witness my hand and seal this 7th day of April, 1860.

R. D. Kerfoot {Seal}

State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit: I hereby certify that on this 7th day of April in the year 1860, before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Washington County, personally appeared Richard D. Kerfoot, the grantor above named, and acknowledged the foregoing Bill of Sale to be his act. And at the same time personally appeared Hiram H. Harvey, the grantee above named, and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that the consideration mentioned in the above Bill of Sale is true and bona fide as therein set forth.

Acknowledged & sworn to before

Thomas Curtis, J. P.

Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, Md., Deed Book IN 14, page 751, 5/17/1860.

At the request of William Troxell the following Bill of Sale was recorded May 17th, 1860.

I, R. D. Kerfoot of Washington County, State of Maryland, in consideration of twenty five dollars paid me by Wm. Troxell, of said County, do bargain and sell unto the said Wm. Troxell, one cow. Witness my hand and seal this 4th day of May, 1860.

Witness: B. Harris

R. D. Kerfoot {Seal}

State of Maryland, Washington County: I hereby certify that on this fourth day of May 1860, before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace, in and for Washington County, personally appeared R. D. Kerfoot, and acknowledged the above Bill of Sale to be his act. And at the same time personally appeared Wm. Troxell, and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that the consideration mentioned in the above Bill of Sale is true and bona fide as therein set forth.

Acknowledged & sworn before

S. Colklessor, J. P.

Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, Md., Deed Book IN 17, page 421, 11/17/1863.

At the request of Isaac Nesbitt. the following Mortgage was recorded November 17th, 1863.

This Mortgage, made this seventeenth day of November in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty three, by R. D. Kerfoot and Ann E. Kerfoot both of Washington County, and State of Maryland. Witnesseth, that in consideration of the sum of twenty five dollars now due from us the said R. D. Kerfoot and Ann E. Kerfoot to Isaac Nesbitt of the County and State aforesaid, we the said R. D. Kerfoot and Ann E. Kerfoot, do grant unto the said Isaac Nesbitt all the interest of the said Ann E. Kerfoot in the real estate of the late Thomas Fleming, deceased, to wit: one house and three or four lots of ground situate in Jerusalem Town, commonly called Funkstown, in Washington County and State aforesaid. Provided that if we the said R. D. Kerfoot and Ann E. Kerfoot shall pay on or before the 17th day of November 1864, to the said Isaac Nesbitt the sum of twenty five dollars with the interest thereon from the 17th day of November 1863, then this Mortgage shall be void. Witness our hand and seals.

Test: J. Cook

R. D. Kerfoot {Seal}

Ann E. Kerfoot {Seal}

State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit: I hereby certify that on this 17th day of November 1863, before me the subscriber, one of the Justices of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Washington County, personally appeared R. D. Kerfoot and Ann E. Kerfoot his wife, and did each acknowledged the foregoing Mortgage to be their respective act. And also appeared Isaac Nesbitt and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that the consideration mentioned in the foregoing Mortgage is true and bona fide as therein set forth.

J. Cook, J. P.

Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, Md., Deed Book 39, page 400, 4/7/1873.

At the request of A. Louis Miller this Mortgage was recorded Apr. 7th 1873.

I Richard D. Kerfoot of Jefferson County, State of W, Va., being now indebted to A. Louis Miller of Allegany County, and State of Maryland, in the sum of Eight hundred and fifty dollars, in consideration thereof, I do hereby bargain and sell to the said A. Louis Miller the following property, to wit: one black mare mule, one large bay horse mule, one mouse colored horse mule, one bay mare mule and one bay horse mule & three sets of harness. Provided that if I the said Richard D. Kerfoot shall pay to the said A. Louis Miller the said sum of Eight hundred and fifty dollars and the interest thereon from the date hereof on or before the 1st day of August in the year 1873, then this mortgage shall be void. Witness my hand and seal this 31st day of March in the year 1873.

Teste: H. J. Flannagan

R. D. Kerfoot {Seal}

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit: I hereby certify that on this 31st day of March in the year of our Lord, 1873 before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for Allegany County, personally appeared Richard D. Kerfoot and acknowledged the foregoing Mortgage to be his act, and at the same time also appeared before me A. Louis Miller and made oath in due form of law that the consideration set forth in the foregoing Mortgage is true and bona fide as therein set forth. In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name.

H. J. Flannagan, J.P.

Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, Md., Deed Book 40, page 234, 9/22/1873.

At the request of Frederick Mertens this Mortgage was recorded Sep. 22, 1873.

This Indenture made this fifteenth day of September eighteen hundred and seventy three between R. D. Kerfoot of Allegany County, State of Maryland, party of the first part, and F. A. Mertens of Allegany County, State of Maryland, party of the second part. Whereas the said party of the second part has sold to the said party of the first part, the canal boat called "J. R. Ray" at and for the sum of twenty one hundred dollars, which the said party of the first part is to pay to the said party of the second part in installments and in the manner and upon the terms hereinafter mentioned, to wit: Forty (\$40) dollars for each & every trip said boat shall make from Cumberland to Georgetown, Washington, Alexandria or any other point, until the entire purchase money with interest is fully paid crediting the respective payments thereon as of the time when such payments shall have [been] made. And whereas it was part of this contract of purchase and sale between the said party of the first part and the said party of the second part, that the said party of the first part shall use the said boat exclusively in freighting coal from Cumberland to Georgetown, Alexandria or Washington City in regular trips, both day and night, with as much expedition and regularity as can be reasonably done; and to receive the loads of the said boat promptly at each trip with the coal of such company or person as the said party of the second part shall devise; and to freight the same at the lowest current rates which shall be paid by the Cumberland Coal and Iron Company, the Borden Mining Company, the Consolidation Coal Company and the Hampshire and Baltimore Coal Company and keep said boat in proper repair; and that the said party of the first part will not during the continuance of this instrument of writing, assign, transfer, or set over, or otherwise by any act or deed permit the said boat to be assigned, transferred, or set over unto any person or persons whomsoever, without the consent in writing of the said party of the second part or his authorized agent, all of which said stipulations the said party of the first part hereby covenants and agrees with the said party of the second part and his assigns to fulfill and perform. Provided always that if the said company should not furnish loading for said boat within twenty four hours after the boat has been reported by the Captain at the place of loading ready to receive her load, then the said party of the first part shall have the right of loading wherever he chooses for that trip – if such want of readiness to load the boat is caused by any default on the part of the said company, or their agents, but in case of a glut of boats, or in case such defaults, either in loading or unloading, happens from any other cause than a personal default of the said company, or its agents, then all the said company coal boats must take their turn in loading and unloading, and no claim shall be made for such detention.

And whereas the said party of the first part is anxious to secure unto the said party of the second part, and his assigns, the regular and due payment of each and every installment of said purchase money and also to secure to the said party of the second part and his assigns, the regular, prompt and due performance of the covenants aforesaid; the said party of the first part is willing to execute these presents. Now this Indenture, Witnesseth, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the premises, hath granted, bargained, and sold and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto the said party of the second part and his assigns the canal boat called "J. T. Ray." To have and to Hold the same unto the said party of the second part and his assigns forever. Provided nevertheless and it is hereby declared to be the true intent and meaning of these presents that if the said party of the first part shall well and truly pay unto the said party of the second part, or his assigns, the aforesaid installments of purchase money upon each and every trip as aforesaid until the whole purchase money with the interest as aforesaid

shall be fully paid; and if the said party of the first part shall well and truly do and perform all the covenants on his part to be done and performed, as set forth in this mortgage, then this instrument of writing and every matter and thing therein contained, shall cease and be utterly null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

And this instrument further Witnesseth that it is mutually agreed between the parties aforesaid that in case of any default upon the part of the said party of the first part to make regular payments on account of said purchase money, as herein provided or in case of a failure to make regular trips as aforesaid with said boat, or in case of a refusal or neglect upon the part of the said party of the first part to freight for the company or person designated by the said party of the second part, or his agents, or in case of a failure or neglect to use all diligence, care and skill in making such trips with said boat as before mentioned, or in case said boat is not kept in proper repair, or in case of a transfer without permission, as aforesaid, or in case of a failure to perform any of the stipulations or recitals in this mortgage named to be done and performed on the part of the said party of the first part then and in either event, the said party of the second part, or his assigns, or any duly authorized agent, is hereby authorized to take immediate possession of said boat and after ten days public notice thereof in a newspaper printed in the City of Cumberland, to sell said canal boat at public sale as mortgagee to the highest bidder for cash or on credit, and out of the proceeds of such sale pay first the expenses of such sale and advertisement, and then the balance due to said party of the second part, or his assigns, of said purchase money and interest, and if there be any overplus, the said party or his assigns are to pay the same to the said party of the first part.

In witness whereof the said R. D. Kerfoot hath herewith subscribed his name and affixed his seal on the day and year first above written.

Teste: Jas. M. Beall

R. D. Kerfoot {Seal}

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit: I hereby certify that on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 1873, before the subscriber, personally appeared R. D. Kerfoot and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his act and deed.

Jas. M. Beall, J.P.

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit: Be it remembered and it is hereby certified that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 1873 before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Allegany County personally appeared F. A. Mertens, Jr. mortgagee in the foregoing mortgage and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that the consideration set forth in the foregoing mortgage is true and bona fide, as herein set forth and that he is the agent of and authorized by [Frederick Mertens] to make such affidavit. In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name, on the day and year aforesaid.

Jas. M. Beall, J. P.

Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, Md., Deed Book 43, page 287, 10/1/1874.

At the request of John T. Dixon this Mortgage was recorded Oct. 1st 1874.

This Mortgage made this 1st day of October 1874 by me, Richard D. Kerfoot of Jefferson County, W. Virginia. Witnesseth, that whereas I am now indebted unto John T. Dixon of the City of Cumberland, Maryland in the sum of one hundred and seventy seven dollars and forty seven cents (\$177.47) and am desirous of securing the payment thereof in consideration thereof I the said R. D. Kerfoot do grant, sell and hereby convey unto the said John T. Dixon the Canal Boat "John R. Ray" built and sold to me by Frederick Mertens, also five mules (one black mare mule, one large bay mule, one mouse colored mule, one sorrel mule and one gray mule) being the team now driven on said Boat. Provided that if I the said R. D. Kerfoot shall pay unto the said Dixon the said sum of one hundred & seventy seven dollars & forty seven cents with interest thereon from date hereof on or before the 1st day of December 1874 then this Mortgage shall be void; but in case I shall make default in the above payment as above specified then it shall be lawful and I hereby authorize the said John T. Dixon or his certain attorney to sell the above mortgaged property at public sale for cash after giving ten days notice of the time, place, manner & terms of sale by advertisement in some newspaper published in Cumberland and with the proceeds of said sale he shall pay the costs thereof, the above mortgage debt with interest to the day of sale, and the balance he shall pay over to me the said Kerfoot. Witness my hand and seal.

Teste: D. Blocher

R. D. Kerfoot {Seal}

State of Maryland, Allegany County, ss: I hereby certify that on this 1st day of October 1874 personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for Allegany County, Richard D. Kerfoot and did acknowledge the above mortgage to be his act & deed also at the same time personally appeared before me John T. Dixon the mortgagee in the foregoing mortgage and made oath in due form of law that the consideration of the above mortgage is true and bona fide as therein set forth.

D. Blocher, J. P.



Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, Md., Deed Book 45 page 82, 4/24/1875.

At the request of F. Mertens this Mortgage was recorded April 24<sup>th</sup> 1875.

This Indenture made this twenty first day of April eighteen hundred and seventy five between W. L. Arthur of Allegany County, State of Maryland, party of the first part, and Frederick Mertens of Allegany County, State of Maryland, party of the second part. Whereas the said party of the second part has this day sold to the said party of the first part, the Canal Boat called "Mercia Martha Jane" at and for the sum of one thousand dollars, which the said party of the first part is to pay to the said party of the second part, in installments and in the manner and upon the terms hereinafter mentioned, to wit: forty dollars for each and every trip said boat shall make from Cumberland to Georgetown, Washington, Alexandria or any other point, until the entire sum of purchase money with interest is fully paid, crediting the respective payments thereon as of the time said payments shall have been made. And whereas it was part of said contract of purchase and sale between the said party of the first part and the said party of the second part, that the said party of the first part shall use the said boat exclusively in freighting coal from Cumberland to Georgetown, Alexandria or Washington City; in regular trips, both day and night, with as much expedition and regularity as can be reasonably done; and to receive the loads of the said boat promptly at each trip with the coal of such company or person as the said party of the second part shall direct; and to freight the same at the lowest current rates which shall be paid by the Cumberland Coal and Iron Company, the Borden Mining Company, the Consolidation Coal Company and the Hampshire and Baltimore Coal Company, and keep said boat in proper repair; and that the said party of the first part will not during the continuance of this instrument of writing, assign, transfer, or set over, or otherwise by any act or deed permit the said boat to be assigned, transferred or set over unto any person or persons whomsoever, without the consent in writing of the said party of the second part or his authorized agent, all of which said stipulations the said party of the first part hereby covenants and agrees with the said party of the second part and his assigns to fulfill and perform. Provided always that if the said company should not furnish loading for said boat within twenty four hours after the boat has been reported by the Captain at the place of loading, ready to receive her load, then the said party of the first part shall have the right of loading wherever he chooses for that trip – if such want of readiness to load the boat is caused by any default on the part of the said company, or its agents; but in case of a glut of boats, or in case such defaults, either in loading or unloading, happens from any other cause than a personal default of the said company, or its agents, then all the boats carrying coal for it must take their turn in loading and unloading, and no claim shall be made for such detention.

And whereas the said party of the first part is anxious to secure unto the said party of the second part, and his assigns, the regular and due payment of each and every installment of said purchase money, and also to secure to the said party of the second part and his assigns, the regular, prompt and due performance of the covenants aforesaid; the said party of the first part is willing to execute these presents.

Now this Indenture Witnesseth, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the premises, hath granted, bargained, and sold and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto the said party of the second part and his assigns, the Canal Boat called "Mercia Martha Jane" to have and to hold the same unto the said party of the second part and his assigns forever.

Provided nevertheless, and it is hereby declared to be the true intent and meaning of these presents, that if the said party of the first part shall well and truly pay unto the said party of the second part, or his assigns, the aforesaid installments of purchase money upon each and every trip as aforesaid until the whole purchase money, with the interest as aforesaid, shall be fully paid; and if the said party of the first part shall well and truly do and perform all the covenants on his part to be done and performed, as set forth in this mortgage, then this instrument of writing and every matter and thing herein contained, shall cease and be utterly null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

And this instrument further Witnesseth, that it is mutually agreed between the parties aforesaid that in case of any default upon the part of the said party of the first part to make regular payments on account of said purchase money, as herein provided, or in case of a failure to make regular trips as aforesaid with said boat, or in case of a refusal or neglect upon the part of the said party of the first part to freight for the company or person designated by the said party of the second part, or his authorized agents, or in case of a failure or neglect to use all diligence, care and skill in making such trips with said boat, as before mentioned, or in case said boat is not kept in proper repair, or in case of a transfer without permission, as aforesaid, or in case of a failure to perform any of the stipulations or recitals in this mortgage named to be done and performed on the part of the said party of the first part, then and in either event, the said party of the second part, or his assigns, or any duly authorized agent, is hereby authorized to take immediate possession of said boat and after ten days public notice thereof in a newspaper printed in the City of Cumberland, to sell said Canal Boat at public sale, as mortgagee, to the highest bidder, for cash or on credit; and out of the proceeds of such sale pay first the expenses of such sale and advertisement, and then the balance due to said party of the second part, or his assigns, of said purchase money and interest, and if there be any overplus, the said party or his assigns are to pay the same to the said party of the first part.

In witness whereof the said W. L. Arthur hath hereunto subscribed his name and affixed his seal on the day and year first above written.

Teste: H. J. Flanagan.

W. L. Arthur {Seal}

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit: I hereby certify that on this 21st day of April 1875, before the subscriber, personally appeared W. L. Arthur and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his act and deed.

H. J. Flanagan, J.P.

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit: Be it remembered, and it is hereby certified that on this 21st day of April 1875 before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Allegany County, personally appeared Frederick Mertens, mortgagee in the foregoing mortgage, and made oath on the Holy Evangelical of Almighty God that the consideration set forth in the foregoing mortgage is true and bona fide, as herein set forth. In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name, on the day and year aforesaid.

H. J. Flanagan, J. P.

Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, Md., Deed Book 149, page 161, 5/27/1916.

At the request of John W. Ward, et. al., the following Deed was recorded May 27th, 1916.

This Deed, made this 26th day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen, by Stewart W. Grayson and Mabel L. Grayson, his wife, of Sharpsburg, Washington County, State of Maryland. Witnesseth, that in and for the consideration of the sum of EIGHTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said Stewart W. Grayson and Mabel L. Grayson, his wife, do grant and convey unto Thomas F. Kerfoot and John W. Ward, of said County and State, in fee simple, all the following two lots or parcels of ground, lying and being in Sharpsburg, Washington County, Maryland: Parcel No. 1 being all that house and lot situated on the East side of Mechanic Street, and being the southern part of the west half of Lot no. 1, on the plat of the said town, . . Parcel No. 2, all that lot or parcel of ground forty six and one half (46½) by twenty four feet (24) adjoining Parcel No. 1, and being also part of Lot No. 1, on the plat of said Town, and being the same property which was conveyed to the said Mary Cornelia Beeler by CHEROKEE TRIBE No. 21, Improved Order of Red Men of Sharpsburg, Washington County, Maryland, by deed dated April 22nd, 1913, and recorded in Liber No. 142, folio 428, one of the land records, to which deed reference is hereby made, together with the right of way conveyed by the said deed and all other rights ways, easements and appurtenances belonging to the said lots or either of them, or in any wise appertaining thereto. Both of the said lots or parcels of ground being the same property which was conveyed unto the said Stewart W. Grayson, by Sidney R. Hickman and Bessie L. Hickman, his wife, and William H. Knode and Blanche E. Knode, his wife, Sidney R. Hickman, and William H. Knode, as attorneys the above being heirs at law of the late Mary Cornelia Baylor by deed of February 8th, 1915, and recorded in Liber No. 146, folio 89, one of the land records of Washington County. And we the said Stewart W. Grayson and Mabel L. Grayson, his wife, will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed, and that they will execute such further assurances as may be requisite. Witness our hands and seals.

Test: Robert L. Highbarger

Stewart W. Grayson {Seal}  
Mabel L. Grayson {Seal}

State of Maryland, Washington County. To wit: I hereby certify that on this 26th day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for Washington County, personally appeared Stewart W. Grayson and Mabel L. Grayson, his wife, and did each acknowledge the foregoing deed to be their act.

Robert L. Highbarger, N.P.

Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, Md., Deed Book 151, page 583, 6/215/1917.

At the request of J. W. Ward, the following Deed was recorded June 21, 1917, @ 2:00 P.M.

This Deed, made this 8th day of May, nineteen hundred and seventeen, by THOMAS F. KERFOOT and ANNA KERFOOT, his wife, of Washington County, State of Maryland.

Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of five dollars, cash in hand paid, the receipt whereof is by each hereby acknowledged, and other good and valuable considerations, we, the said Thomas F. Kerfoot and Anna Kerfoot, his wife, do hereby grant and assign forever, in fee simple, together with all the improvements thereon and the rights, roads, ways, waters, privileges and appurtenances thereunto or in any wise appertaining, all the undivided interest of the grants herein and to all the following described two lots or parcels of ground lying and being in Sharpsburg, in said Washington County, Maryland, and being more particularly described as follows:

PARCEL NO. 1: - Being all that house and lot situate on the west side of Mechanic Street and being the southern part of the west half of Lot No. 1 on the plat of said town, and being the same property which was conveyed to Mary Cornelia Beeler by Mayberry C. Beeler, by deed dated March 7th, 1893, and duly recorded in Liber No. 108, folio 332, one of the land records of said Washington County, State of Maryland, reference being hereby made to said deed for a more particular description of said Parcel No. 1.

PARCEL NO. 2: - Being all that lot or parcel of ground forty-six and one-half (46½) feet by twenty-four (24) feet adjoining Parcel No. 1, and also being part of Lot No. 1 on the plat of said town, and being the same property which was conveyed to said Mary Cornelia Beeler by Cherokee Tribe No. 21, Improved Order of Red Men, of Sharpsburg, Washington County, Maryland, by deed dated April 22nd, 1913, and duly recorded in Liber No. 142, folio 428, another of said Land Records of said Washington County, together with the right of way conveyed by said deed and all the rights, easements, privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining, reference being hereby made to the aforesaid deed for a more particular description of said Parcel No. 2.

The aforesaid Parcel No. 1 and Parcel No. 2, being the same property which was conveyed to Stewart Whitfield Grayson by Sidney R. Hickman and Bessie Hickman, his wife, William H. Knode and Blanche Knode, his wife, and Sidney R. Hickman and William H. Knode, as attorneys, the above named persons being or representing all the heirs at law of the said Mary Cornelia Beeler, deceased, by deed dated February 8th, 1915, and duly recorded in Liber No. 146, folio 89, another of said land records of said Washington County, and also being the same property which was conveyed to the aforesaid Thomas F. Kerfoot and John W. Ward by the said Stewart W. Grayson and Mabel L. Grayson, his wife, by deed dated May 26th, 1916, and duly recorded in Liber No. 149, folio 161, another of the said Land Records of said Washington County, reference being hereby made to each and all of the aforementioned deeds for a more full and complete description of the property hereby conveyed. And we, the said grantors herein, do hereby covenant that we will warrant generally the property hereby granted and conveyed and that we will execute and deliver such other and further assurances of said property as may be requisite. Witness our hands and seals.

Test as to mark:

Edward M. Tenney

Test: Edward M. Tenney

his

Thomas X Kerfoot {Seal}

mark

her

Anna X Kerfoot {Seal}

mark

State of Maryland, Washington county, to wit: I hereby certify that on this 5th day of May, in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for Washington County, personally appeared Thomas F. Kerfoot and Anna Kerfoot, his wife, and did each acknowledge the foregoing deed to be their respective act. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my official Notarial Seal the day and year last above written.

Edward M. Tenney, Notary Public